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# The Editor's Page

## Silence—Profound Silence

Not so long ago—in a series of three editorials—we attempted to get across some constructive criticism and related suggestions with view to improving the lot of the deaf in this age of automation. So far there has been complete silence, or profound silence, to coin a stronger and more impressive term.

Does everybody agree with the views we voiced? Not likely. Does anybody give a hoot? We wonder but hope so. Doesn't anybody read our editorials? Again we wonder and still hope so.

We repeat our complaint—what is going to be done and by whom? Those close to the situation are aware of the grave difficulties facing the young people who are emerging as products of our schools for the deaf. Somebody has fumbled the ball, and it has been lying around long enough waiting for somebody to pick it up. In the meantime the condition of the ball is growing worse with weathering.

## Workshop on Community Development at Fort Monroe

Hotel Chamberlain, Fort Monroe, Virginia, will be the scene of the three-day Workshop on Community Development Through Organizations of and for the Deaf which meets April 24-26. The site of the workshop was chosen at the suggestion of the steering committee to reduce distractions from the important work at hand, according to Coordinator Alan B. Crammatte, of Gallaudet College.

The discussants at the workshop will be divided into four discussion groups of about 15 persons to a group. Each group will consider two topics, one from each major division. To each topic two sessions will be devoted. The final session will be a summing-up of the fruits of discussion and any collective action the participants may desire.

The two major divisions are: "What Organizations Can and Do Serve Deaf People?" and "How May These Organizations Develop Better Services?" In addition, the opening session will be devoted to enumeration of the needs of the deaf for background purposes under the heading "Service Needs of the Deaf" by Douglas J. N. Berke.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

It has been my policy never to answer criticism of the NAD by writers in publications of the deaf, feeling that everyone was entitled to his opinion and that in the end the truth would prevail, regardless of what any of us might write. However, some of the remarks made by Troy E. Hill on page 16 of THE SILENT WORKER for February, 1961, need some clarification.

I have clarified them with Mr. Hill in some correspondence, but he has ignored this and continues to insist that the NAD has taken away his rights to

"join in the proceedings" at conventions. At the Dallas convention, when I was presiding at a meeting of the Council of Representatives, I denied Mr. Hill the platform because he was not a Representative of a state association. I would have denied the platform to anyone else who was not an official Representative.

Mr. Hill knows he had the right to the platform in any meeting of the General Assembly. I have pointed out to him, and I have assured him that I should have been happy to recognize him at any time he sought the platform in the General Assembly. Of course, he was denied the right to participate as a state Representative when he was not a Representative.

Mr. Hill says the NAD will be controlled by a handful of people, evidently meaning the Representatives. The fact is that the NAD is controlled by the Council of Representatives, and by the General Assembly. The Representatives are the official delegates chosen by the state associations, while the General Assembly is composed of all members who wish to attend the meetings, so everyone who was at Dallas had the opportunity to participate in one group or the other.

The new NAD laws were adopted after long study and numerous conferences and discussions by many people. They were designed specifically to get away from the old order when the NAD was controlled by a "handful of people." They were the people who happened to live near or in the convention city and therefore comprised the majority at conventions. Under the new laws the NAD is controlled by the wishes of all the deaf in general, through Representatives from their various state associations and also through individuals who may attend as members of the General Assembly.

Mr. Hill says no plan was presented to the Texas Association of the Deaf when it voted to join the NAD, and he repeats that no plan was presented to the TAD at its Beaumont convention. A plan indeed was presented to the TAD convention. I had the honor of explaining the reorganization plan in person at the TAD convention, and the TAD voted to ratify and to become a cooperating member of the NAD. But this was not the Beaumont convention. It was the Austin convention, which met a year or two before the Beaumont convention. I have pointed this out to Mr. Hill, and he says the Austin convention was only a "special meeting." I do not know about that, but I do know that some 700 good Texas people accepted the NAD. They elected officers and engaged in other deliberations commonly connected with TAD conventions. The TAD officially announced its decision to continue the membership in the NAD which it had maintained for many years, and the TAD and its members and officers and the deaf of Dallas and the Dallas Silent Club have been among our most loyal

and helpful members — witness, the great success of the Dallas convention.

B. B. Burnes

Berkeley, California  
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## Visit to the Cradle of Deaf Education in France

By STANLEY E. WILLIS

Last October I paid my second visit to Paris during an European tour which took my wife and me through Denmark, Germany, Switzerland, Leichtenstein, Austria, France, England, and Ireland. PARIS! There's magic in the very name of the most cosmopolitan city in the world. A city of bright lights and elegance, and the capital of pleasure, it is, at the same time, a treasure house of art, history, and intellectual achievement.

Americans who visit Paris endeavor to live the city life and take as many sightseeing trips as possible. They live the life of the streets where the police in blue capes blow their whistles in a rage, not to slow the cars but to hasten them along. They stroll the Paris parks where pigeons and lovers murmur in unison, or sit in the cafes which flood over onto the sidewalks. When darkness falls, there is the life of the theatres, of the Opera, of the great Paris restaurants and the cabarets—sometimes nothing more than smoky cellars where the French r'be-bop crowd can hardly find the space for their frantic dances!

Sightseeing trips are sure to include the Champs Elysees, the Eiffel Tower, the Pantheon, the Invalides and Tomb of Napoleon, Notre Dame, the Chamber of Deputies, the Concorde, Tuilleries and the Louvre, the Etoile and Arc de Triomphe, and the illuminated fountains at Versailles.

These are a few of the well-known sights in Paris which are a must to most visitors, but there are many more places of interest which do not

get the publicity they deserve. There is, for instance, the historic Institution Nationale des Sourds Muets (National Institution of Deaf Mutes), which is the world famous school for the deaf founded in 1755 by the philanthropist, the Abbe de l'Epee. In the 14th century a hospital was erected here to give assistance to the numerous pilgrims coming and going to the Shrine of St. James of Compostela in Spain. In 1791, this hospital became the Institution Nationale des Sourds Muets and has since been a center of deaf education. The building one sees today is a fine, spacious brick structure, five stories high and several hundred feet long. It stands in its own grounds of several acres, including a large, beautifully kept area, which is used for instruction in horticulture and agriculture.

A biography of the Abbe de l'Epee, written by Ferdinand Berthier, who despite deafness became a Dean of Professors at the Institution Nationale, tells us that de l'Epee was born at Versailles on November 25, 1712, and was the son of the king's architect. At an early age he manifested a strong desire to become a priest, but in order to satisfy his father's will he studied law and successfully practiced that profession for several years in Paris. He much preferred the quietness of the church to the tumult of the courts, and he eventually returned to his first chosen career. He became a preacher and canon at Troyes after being ordained in 1736, but later it is believed that de l'Epee was deprived of his ecclesiastical functions by becoming a Jansenist, and hence, a heretic.

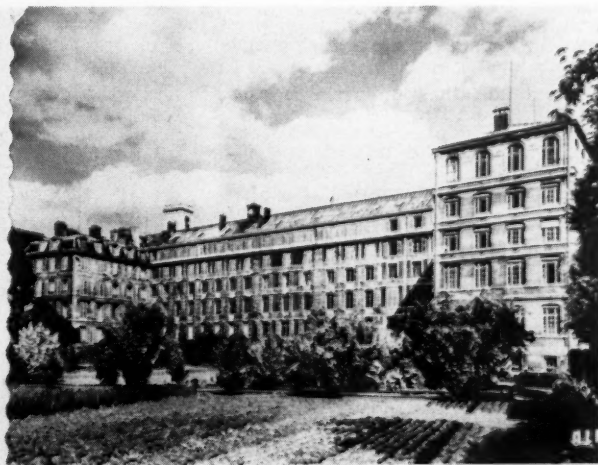
Up to this time, he had had no special interest in the deaf, but one day when calling on one of his parishioners, he encountered two deaf children who had been receiving instruction by means of pictures from another priest. His heart went out to them and, then and there, he resolved to devote not only his life but his fortune as well, to the betterment of the deaf. In 1755, he founded, at his own expense, the first regular school for the deaf in Europe, near the site of the present Institution Nationale. Here, the Abbe de l'Epee taught the deaf until 1789, when, at the age of 77, he died and left to his co-workers the responsibility of furthering his life's work. Two years after his death, the school was adopted by the state and became the Institution Nationale des Sourds-Muets.

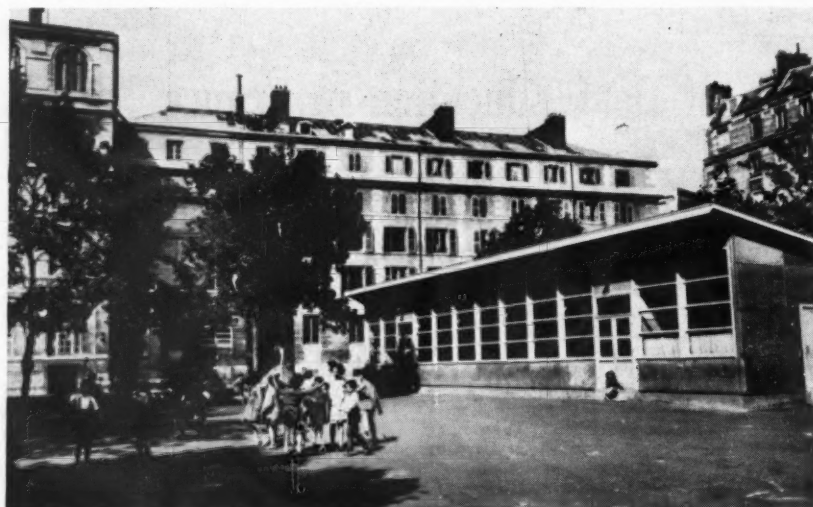
The Abbe de l'Epee wrote several works on the education of the deaf, and he also began a dictionary of manual signs, completed after his death by the Abbe Sicard, his successor at the Institution.

For methods of teaching, though beginning orally, the Abbe de l'Epee turned largely to the sign language, and after collecting all available literature on the subject, he believed that the language of signs was the vernacular of the deaf. For many years, French educators depended upon a combined method of signs, speech, speechreading, and written language, sponsored by de l'Epee and Sicard, to teach the deaf; however, 80 years ago it was replaced by an oral method to the exclusion of signs.

Professor Andre Bergeron, a mem-

Left: The front elevation of the Institution Nationale des Sourds-Muets with the memorial to de l'Epee in the foreground. Right: The well-kept gardens in the foreground at the rear of the school are used for training students in horticulture.





Boarders at the Institution Nationale des Sourds-Muets have the use of this shaded playground.

ber of the teaching staff, who escorted us on a pleasant tour of the school, said that despite their oralist teachers, the children quickly learn to use signs easily when they mingle together, and the teachers themselves have returned to a better appreciation of the use of signs.

The professor, who speaks English fluently and is not deaf, said that they had 28 teachers at the school—ten of whom are vocational—and 14 are "would-be" teachers, or trainees. Enrollment at the school averages about 350 pupils, from three to 21 years of age. Most students are from six to 18 years of age.

We toured a few of the well-equipped vocational shops, of which there are 10. We saw pupils busy learning printing, bookbinding, shoemaking, tailoring, and woodworking. Professor Bergeron pointed out that tailoring was one of the best vocations for the deaf in France, and many pupils have obtained good jobs on the Champs Elysees making custom suits which are in great demand. The printing shop produces the school's monthly *Bulletin* and also does printing for commercial and industrial establishments.

About half the pupils are boarders at the school. They sleep in pleasant dormitories supplied with every comfort and have the use of a chapel, a gymnasium, a large dining room, and shaded playgrounds.

Parents are expected, whenever possible, to contribute towards the maintenance of their children whilst at the school. The fixed cost for each school year ranges from 90 francs (\$25) for French citizens to 120 francs (\$33) for those from abroad. Clothing for the boys costs 25 francs (\$7), but parents provide all clothing for the girls. Parents without sufficient resources are aided wholly or partially by the state, but these tuition fees appear to be ex-

tremely modest by American standards. All parents have their children home during vacations, but the school looks after the orphans, of which there are a few in residence.

We really enjoyed visiting this school for the deaf, and we passed a delightful afternoon in the company of Professor Bergeron. I thought back to the days when our own Thomas Hopkins Gallaudet tarried here and secured for thousands of



The author stands beside a memorial to de l'Epee at the entrance to the Institution Nationale des Sourds-Muets.

American deaf then unborn the priceless boon of education. It was at this school, in 1815, that Gallaudet received a grounding in the methods of instruction he desired, and to which we in America owe the high standard of deaf education.

## Don G. Pettingill Appointed Promotion Manager for SW

Don G. Pettingill, of Lewiston, Idaho, has been appointed Promotion Manager of *THE SILENT WORKER*. While he has been busy for several months, the appointment is effective with this issue.

A product of the Idaho School for the Deaf, Mr. Pettingill is the owner of Pettingill Printcraft, a modern plant which has seven employees, five of them deaf. He is a member of the Lewiston JayCees and of the Lewiston Lions Club in addition to his affiliations with various organizations of the deaf.

Mr. Pettingill was Idaho's delegate to the Dallas Convention of the National Association of the Deaf last summer. Currently first vice president of the Idaho Association of the Deaf, he served as president five terms, the first of which commenced on his 20th birthday. He is president of the Idaho Athletic Club of the Deaf and vice president of the Northwest Athletic Association of the Deaf.

Mrs. Pettingill is the former Evelyn Painter, also a product of the Idaho School.

As Promotion Manager, Mr. Pettingill has already started work on



Don G. Pettingill

booster-type ads for *THE SILENT WORKER*. This position ties in with his role as a member of the NAD Ways and Means Committee and as state membership chairman for the NAD, also.

State or other groups interested in booster-type ads similar to those which have been running lately by the Idaho and Utah Associations should write to Mr. Pettingill at 1114-16 Main Street, Lewiston, Idaho.

It should be emphasized that subscriptions to the SW will continue to be handled by the Home Office through Mr. Hubert J. Sellner, the Circulation Manager. Mr. Alexander Fleischman, of Silver Spring, Maryland, will take care of ads as before as Advertising Manager.



## Memories of Other Trips

By OSCAR GUIRE

### First Part: Preliminary Remarks

While my health was good and I was able to move around freely, I did not receive much attention from people. I did not often travel to see people. I travelled chiefly to see geologic and scenic wonders. I have no hesitation to assert that the United States of America is the greatest country in the world for such sights. I enjoyed every one of my numerous trips, but naturally under the circumstances I had few experiences of human interest.

In the beginning I had to go where my family went. After moving to Mexico and then to California, Mother liked to visit with relatives in North Carolina from time to time. Of course, she took her two small children with her. It did not cost much because Father worked for a large railroad company. Under the rules of American railroads a long-time worker was entitled to six "foreign" passes a year, that is, on American railroads for which he did not work. There was no limit on passes on the railroads for which he worked. When I spent seven years in college at Washington, D. C., I came home every summer. Father allowed me to choose my route and make side trips.

When I was eleven or twelve years old at the California School for the Deaf, Father decided that I could travel without Mother. He ignored the school authorities. He sent me direct a pass and money for berth and meals. The school authorities never knew exactly when I would go home and did not bother to ask me about my plans. I just walked out when I thought it was time for me to go to West Berkeley or Oakland Pier or San Francisco to catch my train. I once chose to go with the large Los Angeles group

on a slow train. I did not do it again because I preferred to sleep in a berth on a faster train.

The school boys had much freedom in those days. The school never had a teacher or officer to supervise the Los Angeles group all the way to Los Angeles until Dr. Elwood A. Stevenson came from Minnesota to take charge. He changed the school according to his eastern ideas. Alumni, who remembered the old western spirit of the school, were not altogether satisfied.

In later years, when I had to work to support a wife and myself, I used my vacations for long automobile trips. The national parks and monuments were my seventh heaven.

The national park system is dedicated to conserving the scenic, scientific, and historic heritage of the United States for the benefit and enjoyment of its people. If you, gentle reader, are a citizen, the system is yours to use and enjoy below cost. However, if you are not a citizen, you are welcome to its use and enjoyment on equal terms. At most units, a use fee is charged against each vehicle. Such fees are turned over to the U. S. Treasury. The National Park Service can spend only what Congress actually gives it to spend, which is always more than the total sum of the fees.

Every effort is made to preserve the original primitive beauty of the system. No effort is made to make it more beautiful. The landscape is altered only when it is really necessary for visitors' safety and comfort.

In 1956, the National Park Service started an ambitious program to improve and expand the system to the limit. It is called *Mission 66* because it was expected to be completed in

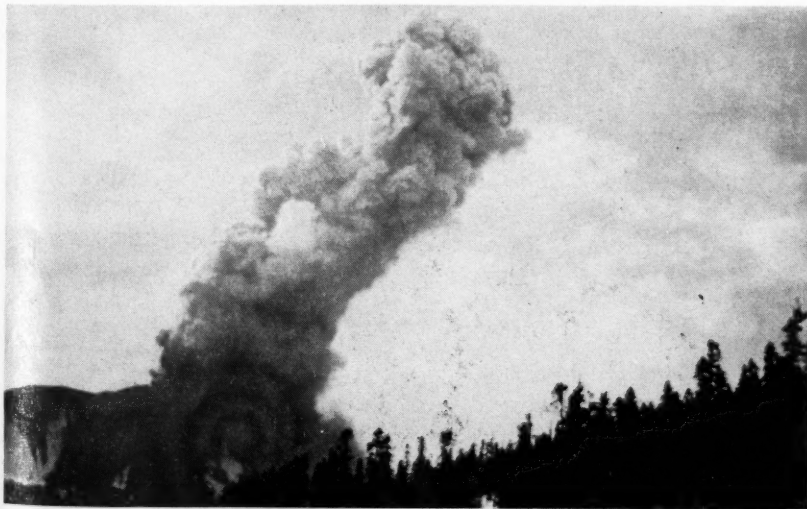


Old Faithful Geyser in Yellowstone National Park with a large group of delighted visitors who throng to see this geyser spout a stream of scalding water and steam 150 feet into the air at an average of 64 minutes apart.

1966. But it is falling behind schedule because of inflation in the cost of labor and materials.

Canada has a fine national park system of its own, though it is not as extensive and varied as the American system. The Canadian system has an excellent feature which is required by the climate of Canada. At free public campgrounds there are three-sided shelters with stoves, tables, and free firewood. They are convenient to use when it rains. When I went to Canada for the first time (I went twice), I ran into a heavy rain. I never saw such a shelter in an American national park. When I was at Mesa Verde National Park in Colorado, it rained. It did not bother me because I had finished sightseeing and was waiting for a bus to take me away.

In connection with the many trips, which my wife Gene and I made before 1949, I have only two experiences which I consider worth while to relate



Mount Lassen in eruption. May 30, 1915. Taken at 5:10 p. m. from a distance of about two miles at snow field which forms the headwaters of Kings Creek. In the period of not more than two minutes which elapsed before this picture was taken when eruption was first observed, this column of smoke had risen four times the height at which it was when first observed. The northeasterly or highest point of mountain is entirely shrouded by column of smoke and steam. (National Park Service photo by J. M. Howells)



**MOUNT RAINIER NATIONAL PARK** in Washington State. This view of Mount Rainier was taken from a point near Paradise. (National Park Service photo by George A. Grant)

in detail. One was with a bear in a national park. The other was with a ranger in another national park.

Wildlife adds to the interest and charm of the national parks. In Sequoia Park deer wandered through our camp. In Yosemite Park deer came to our car and ate out of our hands. In Crater Lake Park I met a porcupine on a foot trail. In Glacier Park a bear cub caused a traffic jam on the Going-to-the Sun Highway. We watched it until it of its own free will got off the road.

In Yellowstone Park I wanted to see the petrified forest which was in a remote, isolated forest of the park. After driving on a long dirt road and wandering across a wide river, the pebbly bed of which hurt our feet, we walked across a field where a herd of buffalo was grazing.

In Mount Rainer Park Gene rented heavy sox and hiking boots and hiked up a glacier. She met a bear on the trail and walked around it at a safe distance. She did not have all the fun she could have. Some people slid down on iron pans. She did not know that she could rent one, and the storekeeper did not ask if she wanted one.

It was my habit to make careful plans for a trip. I read up in advance on the places to be seen and made a budget of our time. It did not look like a vacation trip to Gene, but she admitted that we always traveled with plenty of time and that we never missed anything worthwhile to see.

Yellowstone Park was far away from home. It is a vast area with points of interest far apart. We would not try to see other places on the way except Grand Teton Park, which adjoins Yellowstone Park at its south

side (of Yellowstone Park). The other places could wait for other vacations in the future.

I budgeted nine and half days for Yellowstone Park, five days for traveling, and one day for emergency or leisure at home, before returning to work. In order to avoid more traveling than necessary in the park, I brown friends—the bears. They all places: first five days at Mammoth Hot Springs near the north entrance and then five days at Old Faithful Geyser near the center. The plan looked fine, but I reckoned without our decided to camp at two different but a few grizzly bears—belong to the species known as black bears. Most of them happen to be brown, but nonetheless they are scientifically classified as black bears. They are tame if they are left alone. They are dangerous to feed because they, in their friendliness, do not know their

strength or the sharpness of their claws. The black bear is not large or ferocious like the Kodiak bear of Alaska or the grizzly bear of California. There are today wild Kodiak bears in Alaska but no more wild grizzly bears in California.

Open food should not be left in a tent. If a bear smells food in a tent, it may tear the tent down to get at the food. During our first night a bear came and ate the food which was left on the table covered. For the second night we put the unused food in a bag and hauled it up a tree over the table. The next morning the bag was found gone. In broad daylight the bear came back and looked around for more to eat. We went into our car and locked ourselves in. We sounded the horn, but the bear was not to be scared away. Finding nothing to eat, the bear gave up and went away. We at once took our tent down and moved to Old Faithful ahead of schedule.

There were not many campers at Mammoth Hot Springs. The bears there were few in number, but they were ill-fed and hungry. At Old Faithful there were many campers. Bears there were numerous, too, but they were well fed and did not bother the campers, at least not us. There was near the center of the park a large pit in which the bears were fed garbage collected from all over the park. There were seats for people who wanted to watch the bears eat.

There are enough interesting places in North America to keep a person busy seeing all his life, that is, if he works eleven months a year and takes his time on his vacation. In spite of my tremendous amount of traveling, I have not seen all the places I have wanted to see. Ordinarily seeing a place once was enough for me. Not because the place was unworthy of a revisit, but because there were other places to see and life is short. However, there were special reasons for me to see certain places twice or, even thrice. For instance, we visited Lassen Volcanic National Park twice. My reason for the second trip may seem trivial to my readers, but it was important to me. I waited 17 years for it.



This picture of Lassen Volcanic National Park shows the lava flow between Cinder Cone and Snag Lake from the top of Cinder Cone. (National Park Service photo by George A. Grant)



Summer party observing the mud pots, fumaroles, hot springs, and boiling lakes of Bumpas Hell 1.3 miles from Lassen Peak Highway. Located in the old caldera of ancient Mount Tehama, this area contains much interesting volcanic activity.



I could have done it sooner, but I was not in a hurry and the Second World War with its rationing of gasoline upset my plans of long standing.

Except for volcanoes in Alaska and Hawaii, Lassen Peak is the only recently live volcano in the USA. It is at the southern end of the Cascade Range. There are other volcanoes in its range, but they are dead—such as Mt. Ranier, Mt. Hood, Mt. Shasta, Wizard Island in Crater Lake (a small dead one within an immense dead one).

Aside from mud flows, the first eruption of Lassen Peak after Columbus' discovery of America, was in 1914, two years before my graduation from the California School for the Deaf. I remember the excitement at the school. The eruption was a gas blast. Next year lava flowed 1000 feet on the slope. Three days after the flow there was a terrible blast of gas. It felled great trees which were on a mountain more than three miles away. It melted a great quantity of snow (it was in May) and created a great mud flood. A large area was devastated. Twenty-ton boulders were carried five to six miles. It happened at night, and there was no harm done to human beings. The area was made a national park in 1951. There was a series of minor blasts in 1916 and 1917 and then no more since. In 1946, when Gene and I went down to the bottom of the crater, we saw a little steam coming out of cracks in the rock.

The vicinity of Lassen Peak had been a part of a national forest. After the eruptions the government began to develop this area as a national park. There were other interesting evidences of volcanism, such as mud pots, geysers, steam vents, hot springs and boiling lakes. Their areas are known as

the Devil's Kitchen and Bumpas Hell.

One of our earlier vacation trips was to Lassen Volcanic National Park. We entered at the southern entrance because the Devil's Kitchen was in the southern part. In order to reach the northern part we had to leave the park and drive 20 miles on a Forest Service dirt road over high mountains. In the northern part of the park we found a paved highway under construction, but it had not reached the volcano.

Seventeen years later I decided to go there again. We found the park greatly improved. Most parts were interconnected with paved roads. We were able to drive to the base of the volcano. The top was 1940 feet above the parking area, and the trail was two and half miles long. We climbed to the top and descended to the bottom of the crater. This was the reason for the repeat visit. In addition there was a fine new museum.

For the first time a ranger became interested in us, and for the first time

we joined a nature-study tour conducted by a ranger. Our new friend was not the guide, but he rode in our car. I knew more about the local geology than he did, but he told us interesting things about the plants and animals.

It was customary for the National Park Service to employ college students for summer work, preferably ones who knew much about natural science. Our friend was a graduate student at the University of California at Berkeley. Botany was his specialty. It was his plan to seek a career as a ranger-naturalist in the National Park Service.

This man was interested in the sign language. I told him that if he wanted to learn to use it, the best thing for him was to get a part-time job at the school for the deaf. I explained that the school was only a few blocks from the university and that it was customary for the school to employ university students to help with the supervision of the pupils.

When he returned to the university, he started a monthly magazine of a new type. It was not limited to any particular kind of subject matter. The policy and rules were determined by the contributors themselves. The voting was by mail. One was allowed to contribute only as long as his stuff was accepted by the other contributors as interesting and worthwhile to publish. Presumably the profit was to be divided among the contributors. Rules were not made to cover this aspect because there was no profit as yet.

There were 10 or 15 contributors, mostly university students. I was one of the most regular. Later he began to print parts of selected letters which were not intended for publication. He made free use of my letters. He said that material not written for publication was more interesting than material



Yellowstone National Park buffaloes are similar to these bison cows and calves pictured at Wichita Wildlife Refuge near Cache, Oklahoma. (U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service photo by E. P. Hadden)



**Black bear asleep in a tree in Yellowstone National Park in Wyoming. Oscar Guire relates that the bears disrupted his plans by stealing food despite his efforts to foil them. (U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service photo by M. P. Skinner)**

written for publication. This can be true. But how much good can such an idea do? Letter writers would soon know that their writing might be published and write accordingly.

He paid all the expenses out of his pocket, and he did not have much money. He began to throw hints for me to buy a duplicating machine and publish the magazine at my home. He was an American citizen. During the Second World War he had volunteered in the Canadian Army and seen combat duty before Japan dragged his country into the war. The U. S. government accepted him as an American veteran. He thought that as a veteran of the U. S., he could get a war-surplus duplicating machine at a bargain price.

He was more definite about Gene's part. He wanted her to do the work. She was willing to do it and could

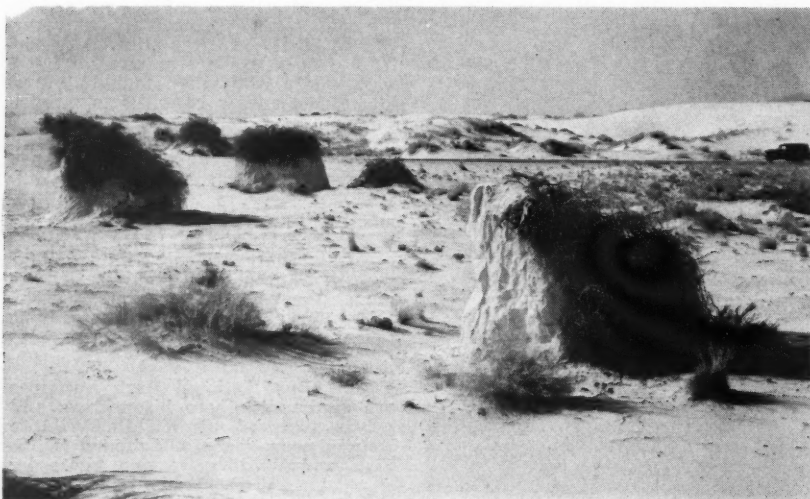
do it. She was an excellent typist and had had experience with a mimeograph. During the war she worked as a clerk-typist in a personnel office of San Bernardino Air Force Base. She quit when the war ended.

However, I was skeptical of his project and was unwilling to put any risk money in any journalistic venture. His scheme collapsed, and I never heard from him again.

He obtained a job at the school for the deaf. He did not like what he saw. He had his own ideas how a school for the deaf should be run. He stated his critical views to newspaper reporters. It created a furor, and he had to resign. All I know about this incident is what I read in my newspaper and heard from deaf people close to the situation.

(To be continued)

**Sand pillars being formed in the White Sands National Mounment, New Mexico, by protective vegetation. (National Park Service photo by George A. Grant)**



## **Donald R. Simpson Ordained Deacon in Episcopal Church**

The ordination of Donald R. Simpson as a perpetual deacon in the Protestant Episcopal Church was held at St. Anselms Mission in Lafayette, California, on January 21. The Right Reverend James A. Pike, Bishop of the Diocese of California, and Rector of St. Anselms, was the officiant.

Simpson, an executive with the Kaiser Companies, is one of a group of 12 who have recently completed their studies for the first order of the ministry. Like the others who were ordained recently at Grace Cathedral in San Francisco, he will serve as a clergyman while continuing his business career.

As a deacon, Simpson will be assigned to the Mt. Diablo Presbytery which is comprised of Episcopal churches in the central Contra Costa County area. In this assignment he will serve as an assistant minister to the Vicar of St. Anselms.

A native of Kansas, Simpson was raised in Colorado. During World War II, he served with the U. S. Signal Corps in the European theatre. After graduation from the University of San Francisco in 1948, he joined the Henry J. Kaiser Company. He served in various assignments in the compensation and benefits section of the Industrial Relations department where he is now assistant to the manager in the home office of Kaiser Industries Corp., the parent firm.

Simpson is married to the former Doris Nelson of Napa and Ukiah, California. They have five children, Peggy 15, Donald 11, Patsy 8, Douglass 4, and Teresa 3. Besides his parents who reside in Napa, he has a brother Emmette, Jr., of Los Angeles, and two sisters, Mrs. W. R. Saunders of Dumas, Texas, and Mrs. E. D. Burchan of Washington, D. C.

Simpson is skilled in the sign language of the deaf. His father, Emmette W. Simpson of Nappa, is a former vice president of the California Association of the Deaf and has been prominent in organizations of the deaf for over 50 years.

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# The Reunion in Island Interlude

By PEGGIE NEITZIE

It is a rare incident for five ex-students of Gallaudet to get together in the far, far island of the 50th State . . . Hawaii. They took the opportunity to pose in the lovely tropical garden of the Herschel Moutons on Thanksgiving Day, 1960. Left to right are Dan F. Miller, Herschel Mouton (the host), Tommy Lindsay. Seated is the charming hostess, Georgia Mouton, with Peggie Neitzie.

Herschel Mouton graduated from the Texas School for the Deaf and was in the Class of 1948 at Gallaudet College. All his life he had one goal—a lifelong destination—to go to Hawaii; so clutching his degree, he flew to Honolulu. There he saw some of the Hawaiian deaf, sorely lacking in co-operation, sign language, and social activities. Rolling up his sleeves, he has acted as their counselor, advisor, and friend, as well as being a teacher for the Diamond Head School for the past 12 years.

Persistently and diligently he introduced the Mainland sign language, waging a slow battle against the Hawaiians' ancient gobbledygook, so today the younger generation converse so that any Mainlander can understand them. Anyone who knows Herschel will recognize Moutonistic language among them! With the older deaf clinging to their accustomed jerky dactylology, he learned their ways in order to communicate with ease whenever cases with police, FBI, courts, or hospitals came up. He has been much sought after as the sole interpreter of the 50th State.

Being regarded as a brother, father, or dependable friend, he has been frequently confronted with questions embarrassing to him but innocuous

to the islanders. For example, a native woman with pendulous breasts, admired Mrs. Mouton's figure and naively asked him, "How does your wife keep hers so firm?" Donning a poker face he ahemed, "Have you seen a store with ladies' underwear? Yes? Then get one and that will help you, too!"

Ambitious, he introduced science to the school with the prompt agreement of his superintendent. His popularity at school is tremendous—he is the only deaf and the only male teacher! He has watched great changes come to Hawaii . . . from a tranquil, sparsely populated territory to the helter-skelter, industrious, booming 50th State with exploding population. The only setback is no immigration of deaf Mainlanders as permanent residents. Said Herschel, "I will never leave Hawaii until there is somebody who can take my place here."

Georgia Ward Mouton graduated from the Oregon School for the Deaf and then entered Gallaudet in 1947. After one year, she followed Herschel and married him beyond the blue horizon. She has made steady progress with Peat, Marwick, Mitchell & Co., Certified Public Accountants, and now supervises three hearing women in her department. Aside from homemaking and rearing two beautiful daughters, Lorna and Patty, she works side by side with Herschel organizing social activities, teaching the rules of business meetings, and helping the deaf, both young and old. She excels as a charming hostess and is a recipe fiend for exotic gourmet menus. (Once she urged me to taste fish eyes, raw fish, and sliced boiled octopus, but my tongue simply went on strike.)

The Mouton clan is addicted to poi.

Georgia confided, "It took me five years to learn to like it, but now my biggest headache is to watch my figure. It is fattening!" Quoting from Purple Cards:

"A gal is sure to meet poi in Hawaii. Poi is the famous island *kau-kau* (food) made from the root of the taro plant. It looks like purple wallpaper paste and tastes just about the same. You poke your fingers into the gooeey stuff and maneuver a gob of it up into your mouth. It takes the average *malihini* (newcomer) a year to learn to eat poi, and five years to like it. Nevertheless, no *luau* (feast) would be authentic without poi."

The majority of the deaf of Hawaii love, honor, and respect the Herschel Moutons as their leaders. They need them: that benevolent, humane couple who dedicate much of their time to the islanders.

Peggie Parsons Neitzie graduated from the Berkeley School for the Deaf in California and entered Gallaudet in the Class of 1948. Leaving at the end of her freshman year, she became Mrs. Vincent Neitzie. She has worked under Civil Service as a statistical assistant for the Naval Electronic Laboratory in San Diego for six years. She recently made her fourth trip to Hawaii.

Dan Miller graduated from the North Carolina School for the Deaf and entered Gallaudet in 1953. He graduated in 1956 and received an A.A. degree. Following his basic training in school and Gallaudet, he landed his first job as a janitor in Newport Beach; then later he became a part-time linotype operator in Anaheim,

The picture at the left was taken in the Mouton garden at Kaneoke, Oahu, Hawaii. Seated: Georgia Mouton and Peggie Neitzie. Standing: Dan Miller, Herschel Mouton, and Tommy Lindsey. Center: Georgia Mouton at work as supervisor in the office of a certified public accountant. Right: Herschel Mouton and his science class at the Diamond Head School for the Deaf, Honolulu, Hawaii.



California. Shortly after he received his membership in International Typographical Union, he sky-rocketed to a high-paying job with the New York Times. He re-entered Gallaudet in the fall of 1958 for a year, and then "grass-hopped" throughout the States and landed in his latest job as a full-time linotype operator for Mercantile Printing Co. in Honolulu.

Tommy Lindsay graduated from the North Carolina School and was ad-

mitted to Gallaudet in 1957. After two years of college, he left to work as a linotype operator and rose rapidly to become a full-fledged member of the International Typographical Union. He now works for the Honolulu Advertiser, a daily newspaper.

(Notice to THE SILENT WORKER readers. The Moutons are planning a Mainland tour of three months, starting this June so many of you will be seeing them.)

## The Foreign Deaf

By PAUL LANGE

Ezio Motali, a deaf Italian painter, has painted a beautiful life-sized portrait of Pope John XXIII which is now on exhibition in the Rome Art Gallery.

The French Gazettes des Sourds Muets has changed its name to Voix des Sourds Muets (Voice of the Deaf).

The South Tyrolean paper for the deaf formerly published in the Italian and German languages is now printed only in the German.

There has been no change made in the publication of the Lausanne paper for the deaf, but it is still edited by a French lady who is deaf.

Ernst Barth of Hamburg has an interesting review in the German paper of the deaf of the artist Charles Eyck, son of a poor shoemaker who was unable to aid his son to get an education. Charles also learned to paint and won the prize of the Gallery of Art at Rome in 1922. He found a ready sale for his paintings and in 1940 was appointed a professor at the Gallery of Maastricht, Holland, in 1940.

Last December Eyck published a sketch book of paintings bearing on the illness and passing of Pope Pius XII and the election of Pope John XXIII and sketches of traffic and points of interest on Italian cities, making a book of great artistic beauty, 104 pages 23 centimeters by 30 centimeters in size, and it was published by the Romen Publishing Company of Maastricht, Holland.

Deaf sportsmen from all over Germany gathered in a great number on May 27, 1960, at Duisburg-Wedan to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of the German gymnastic school for the deaf at that place. The meeting was not only attended by a great number of deaf sportsmen, but also by representatives of hearing athletic clubs, public authorities, and representatives of public schools. After a selection by a deaf band, Chairman Henry Sieppman, editor of the German paper for the deaf, leading German sportsman and promoter of the International Games, addressed the meeting and introduced a number of guests. Among these were Mrs. Privy Councillor Dr. Frandsen representing the president of Germany, who had asked her to present Mr. Sieppman with the silver laurel leaf of German sports as a token for his great work in developing sportsmanship in the German schools and furthering their participation in the International Games. Mr. Sieppman called Albert Guenther of Berlin and Karl Hagemann and Otto Keilwagen of Halle and presented them with golden emblems in behalf of the official board of the sportsmen's association of the western division; Eslear Kienitz of Bielefeld; Will Altgassen of Wuppertal, Leo Becker of Dusseldorf; and Karl Auhrig of Solingen who were presented with silver sportsmen's pins.

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### Captioned Films for the Deaf

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From time to time the question comes up as to the desirability of a national advisory committee which would help in guiding and directing the development of the Captioned Films program. The idea was weighed pro and con when the legislation was written back in 1958, and those drafting the law decided against a clause establishing a committee. It was not included.

The next thought, and one which continues to appear, is that a voluntary committee might be desirable. Investigation reveals the fact that such a committee is illegal. Federal law frowns on setting up advisory committees not expressly required by law.

The alternative, then, is the simple device of individual action. Anyone who has an idea that he thinks should receive attention is free to write or otherwise make his wishes known. In fact, all films issued by the Captioned Films office carry an invitation to viewers to do just that. This is not a hollow invitation but comes from the real desire to make the film program a service of the widest possible appeal. So, if you have an idea, a letter and a four-cent stamp will assure you of a hearing.

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The film "Beyond Silence" which was made at Gallaudet College is in the laboratory, and release of the captioned version is hopefully scheduled for next month. It is a 20-minute documentary that gives some excellent shots of the fabulous new buildings and of students at work. The famous Gallaudet statue, Chapel Hall, and College Hall are also seen.

Critics may find that the treatment overplays the speech program, but the commentary on the sound track seems to present a sane and balanced view of speech as an accomplishment of the deaf. This is reflected in the captions which have been added.

Captioning the film was something of a problem. In numerous sequences the background was too light to permit white captions. With no contrast, they simply could not be read. More than this, the classroom scenes frequently contain examples of people using the language of signs. Here the question was whether to insert captions to follow the commentary or to leave them off so that deaf viewers could see what the people in the picture were saying.

The decision was made in favor of letting the visible "speakers" have the floor. How this works out remains to be seen when the completed captioned film hits the screen.

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To baseball fans who know the names of players of yesteryear, the name of Lew Fonseca may ring a bell. He was a White Sox player who made a hobby of taking movies of big league games. When his playing days came to an end, Lew turned his hobby into a business, filming the World Series and circulating the films.

Arrangements are almost completed for securing his film of the 1960 Series for issuance with captions. This involves permission of the American and National Leagues as well as the commercial sponsor, the Coca Cola Company. Barring some unexpected difficulty this film will join the caption circuit in the not too distant future. Watch for announcements.

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The inauguration of President Kennedy and the appointment of Abraham Ribicoff as Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare might well result in expansion of the Captioned Film program. The President comes from a family that has had large interest in the film industry. Secretary Ribicoff is well acquainted with the American School at Hartford and knows Dr. E. B. Boatner, who was a prime mover in film service to the deaf.

Just how these interests may be made to "jell" in a more extensive support of the film program is not yet clear. But it is not too hard to imagine that, with such interests existing in high places, it just might happen. Time will tell.

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If an expansion of the sort referred to comes about, it will probably pass the Congress on its merits as an educational service. The Kennedy program promises expansion of federal support to education. Thus, the educational significance of films for use with the deaf might well be the selling point that would put it over as a part of the President's plans. This does not mean a loss so far as feature films for adult consumption is concerned. On the contrary it should boost that aspect of the service, too. Everyone stands to benefit.





# Humor Among the Deaf

By Toivo Lindholm

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From Victor H. Galloway, Santa Clara, California, comes a welcome innovation. For a long time a few of us have talked about cartoons in *THE SILENT WORKER*, me especially, but nothing has been done about it. Now Victor breaks the ice. He sends in a cartoon which graces this page at the bottom. We hope it starts a regular feature in *THE SILENT WORKER*. Readers of the SW are welcome to try their hand at cartooning. Send your efforts to the conductor of this page and get credit for your creations.

Wrote Victor a letter the cartoon below: Last Monday one of my colleagues in the Materials and Processes Laboratory at Lockheed Missiles and Space Division become interested in the sign language and the manual alphabet. By Friday he was fairly proficient in the use of the manual alphabet.

During the day I noticed him working laboriously over a drawing of some kind and occasionally forming the letters "h," "e," "l," and "p," on his hand and referring to them studiously. Discretion being the better part of judgment, I held my peace, although I was simply dying to know what the devil he was doing. Just before quitting time the ambitious one arose with a flourish and proudly displayed his work of "art" which I submit herewith.

John Gough, now in the Office of Education, Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, Washington, D. C., sent us the following missive:

Not all humor among the deaf is limited to adults by any means. As in public schools for the hearing where schoolboy boners have long been a source of chuckles, schools for the deaf produce their share of amusing definitions. For example, a deaf boy who made summer pocket money on a nearby golf course was studying the steps of advancement in knighthood. He wrote: a page was a caddy to a knight.

In another instance the class was studying about the Pilgrims. They were deeply impressed with the terrific suffering. Asked the name of the ship on which the Pilgrims came to America, a little deaf girl wrote: The Pilgrims came to America on a hardship.

A primary rhythm class was happily, and perhaps thoughtlessly, chanting a

safety song that goes as follows:

*The red light tells me Stop!  
The green light tells me Go;  
And in between, the yellow says,  
"Be careful now, go Slow."*

One little fellow who was obviously more alert to modern traffic conditions than the person who wrote the jingle, dashed up to the illustrative chart, pointed to the yellow light, shook his head violently, and in no uncertain gestures indicated that yellow means "Go like thunder."

Quotes Allen F. Bubeck, Jr., Beaumont, Texas:

Small things change history. For instance, if Alexander Graham Bell had had a teen-age daughter, he never would have had a chance to invent the telephone.

Just discovered this in the last issue of *Reader's Digest* (and I know I'll get ten welcome letters pointing to the piece):

Just after his election in 1912, Woodrow Wilson visited an aunt who was almost deaf. She asked him how he was now employed, and he bellowed into her ear trumpet that he was now President.

"Of what?" inquired the old lady.

"Of the USA," Wilson shouted back.

The aunt closed the discussion by snorting, "Don't be silly!"

—Bennett Cerf

This from Hafford D. Hetzler, Indianapolis, who avers that it is not at all humorous. Still, the note he penned accompanying the story showed a strong humorous vein, so we quote part of the note. He stated that we could use the story when copy was slow coming in. "Else feed it to the office cat. It looked skinny when I saw it . . . There are a few regards left. You may have them. (Hafford had asked me to give some to this and that person hereabouts.) . . . We will start girding our loins for another trip to California, Now, don't leave town."

The story Hafford sent:

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Roberts, of the Michigan School, spent part of last

summer on a trip to Seattle and down the coast to Mexico . . . Returning, they stopped at Indianapolis for a short visit with Mrs. Robert's sister, Olamary Brown, of the Indiana School. . . . A note from Olamary asked the Hetzlers over to hear the Robertses tell of their trip into the West . . . Let Mrs. Roberts finish:

"While we were in Los Angeles, we decided to have a meal at the Farmer's Market. Presently we were at a table when a lady with a tray of food sat down between us. When she was settled, she looked at me and spelled out on her hands: 'I have a deaf sister in Indianapolis.' 'I, too, have a deaf sister in Indianapolis! What is your sister's name?' 'Agnes Hetzler.' 'Why, I know the Hetzlers, and they are very good friends of my sister.'" End of story.

## Asking Too Much?

A deaf man was in quest of work. He tried many establishments, shops, any place his friends and relatives suggested that he try. All to no avail.

Finally, one friend questioned the fellow on his methods of approach, and this came to light.

The man's invariable pad and pencil line was, "Can you give me the works?"

—B. B. Burnes (1939)

A student at Gallaudet was assigned a part on a literary society program. He declaimed a poem wherein was a line, "My heart pants for you." And he used a sign for "pants" literally meaning wearing apparel—trousers.

—Hubert Sellner

(I once saw a boy sign-singing "Quit ye like men," using "resign," or "leave" for the word "quit," instead of "do" for the word which had been abbreviated from "acquit." And I've heard it said that a few at church sign "fast and deaf" for "the quick and the dead.")

A deaf man returning home late one night staggered along the dimly lighted street and was promptly collared by a policeman who thought he detected the real McCoy in his walk. Despite protests he was taken to the police station. There the desk sergeant was informed by the officer that there was "another drunk."

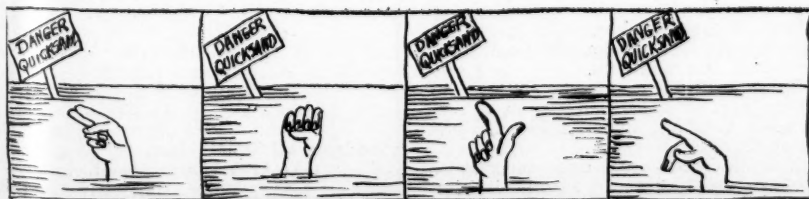
But the deaf person, bewildered, produced pad and pencil and demanded to know what the trouble was. On being told, his face broke into a grin.

"If you think I have been drinking," he wrote, "just smell my breath."

The sergeant did, and to his surprise could detect no tell-tale odor. Then the man explained that total deafness is commonly associated with a loss of equilibrium which manifests itself most strongly in darkness where the eyes cannot be relied on to preserve balance. He demonstrated how straight he could walk in the lighted room.

The upshot of it was that the deaf man was forthwith released and the policeman admonished to henceforth smell their breath first before placing suspected inebriates under arrest.

—Rev. Arthur G. Leisman (1940)



## QUESTIONS AND OPINIONS

### on *Parliamentary Procedure*

By Edwin M. Hazel

Qualified Parliamentarian

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"A Good Member: Understands the policy and purpose of her organization. Attends all meetings and on time! Pays her dues promptly, appreciative of the large return on her investment. Is loyal to the officers. Lends her support to all projects. Knows the bylaws and complies with them. Studies correct parliamentary procedure. Contributes her talents to her organization through service on committees and active participation in the work. Accepts office when qualified to do so. Weighs carefully both sides of controversial subjects, expressing her opinion during the meeting and **not after** the decision is made. Accepts and upholds the majority opinion, but respects the right of the minority. Appreciates the importance of her organization."  
—Anon. NAP

What kind of a member are you?

Q. At a recent meeting the secretary discovered she had forgotten her minute book and left it at home. Should the meeting have been called off just because of no minutes being read?—RS.

A. No. The reading of the minutes is to inform the assembly of action taken at the previous meeting. It does not affect the transaction of business at the meeting. Any unfinished business may be brought up upon the word of members who attended the previous meeting. But, if there is **important** or **urgent** unfinished business, the transaction of which depends on the reading of a resolution, etc., an adjourned meeting (continuation of the regular meeting) may be called. In this case, the secretary should notify all members in good standing of the adjourned meeting to be held on any day and place to dispose of the unfinished business. If there is no unfinished business, forget the minutes as if they were dispensed with (suspended). The minutes must be read at the next regular meeting, however.

Q. Please explain what procedure we should follow to disband an old club of which I have been a member for years. Thank you.—C.B.

A. First step: Appoint a committee to study and report the steps to follow for disbanding the club.

Second step: If the club owns property, the committee should consult an attorney for any legal advice. Property, if there is any, may be disposed of before the club disbands or after disbanding, if trustees are appointed beforehand to sell the property and use the money in a specific way. To disband is the same as to annul the constitution and bylaws of the club; therefore, **previous notice** and a two-thirds vote are necessary for such action.

Third step: The secretary should, of course, mail a copy of the resolution to disband to every member in good standing, something like this: "Resolved, That notice is hereby given that a motion will be made to disband the club at the next regular meeting."

Fourth step: Before the club is disbanded, all funds, if any, may be disposed of as the members may see fit. Disposition of the records should be decided also.

Q. Please advise us of the procedure to follow in order to unite two organizations into one when neither is willing to disband and become a part of the other.—HME.

A. It might happen that two organizations are of the **same** nature in their objects and purposes and wish to form **one** organization. This is what can be done:

First step: Appoint one committee from each organization to meet as a joint committee to attend to the matter at a joint committee meeting.

At the joint committee meeting:—  
Second step: A temporary chairman and a temporary secretary are elected. They go over the constitution and bylaws of each society, choosing the ones to keep, those to omit, and they may make changes (amendments) to be submitted before those organizations. It requires a two-thirds vote of each organization to adopt the new constitution and bylaws. For convenience the two organizations should convene in adjoining rooms when considering acceptance of the proposed revision of the constitution and bylaws. Then, when agreement is reached, they should immediately adjourn and meet together with temporary chairman and temporary secretary, appoint a nominating committee, and elect officers of the new organization. If both organizations were originally incorporated, an attorney should be consulted as to amending the charter and arranging for the transfer of the property from the old to the new trustees.

#### True or False

(Read the correct answers on page 30)

T F 1. The bylaws of an organization specify that they may be amended at any **regular** meeting. I surmise they may also be amended at a **special** meeting called for that purpose, if necessary.

T F 2. In the absence of a special assessments, a club has the authority to assess its members.

T F 3. The Chair has a right to indicate his personal opinion on a motion or question through his attitude or comments.

T F 4. When no one seconds a motion, the Chair can second it himself.

T F 5. The Chair may stop debate by rising and taking the vote on a pending motion.

T F 6. A tabled motion becomes unfinished business at the next regular meeting.

T F 7. In legislative bodies, the motion to lay on the table is often misused for the purpose of killing a bill, and it is never taken from the clerk's table for further consideration. If tabled, it remains on the "shelf" (theoretically on the secretary's table). In other words, if the progress of business is such that the legislative body never backtracks, then once the matter is tabled, the bill is dead.

T F 8. In many organizations, the classification of rules is frequently badly confused or mixed. For instance, some standing rules are really bylaws which cannot be suspended nor can they be amended unless previous notice is given. This causes confusion.

T F 9. Members should always observe **silence** during a vote.

T F 10. A sub-committee becomes an addition to the regular (parent) committee with equal privileges.

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The above two half-inches dedicated to the Utah Association of the Deaf for going Idaho one better and running a half-incher ad bigger than ours last month . . . then having the nerve to rub it in. (Get you after school, Sandie.)

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### TENNESSEE . . .

Tennesseans were shocked by the sudden passing of Ralph W. Green, Sr., of Nashville, on March 4, at the age of 54. Mr. Green, a product of the Tennessee School, attended Gallaudet College and had long been prominent in various organizations of the deaf. He served several terms as president of the Tennessee Association of the Deaf and was local chairman of the 1960 convention held in Nashville. He was Nashville NFSD Division No. 12's delegate to the Buffalo convention in 1955. A long-time linotype operator for the Nashville Banner, Mr. Green is survived by his wife, the former Marion Bolton, a daughter, and a son. Other survivors include his deaf sister, Mrs. Stanley Hicks, of Nashville.

Other deaths: William Chester Correll, 73, of Memphis, January 5; William W. Worley, 79, of Asheville, North Carolina, January 6; Clarence James Crumpton, 81, of Memphis, January 8; and Mrs. Cynthia Wheeler, 87, of Knoxville and Chattanooga, January 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Holcomb, after six years at Tennessee School for the Deaf, will be on the faculty of the Indiana State School for the Deaf at the beginning of the 1961-62 school term. They were teachers at the South Dakota School seven years before coming to Knoxville.

Homecoming at Tennessee School for the Deaf will be observed on Saturday, October 7, 1961. The Alabama School's Silent Warriors will provide the football opposition for the night game.

The Tennessee Association of the Deaf's annual picnic at Cumberland Mountain State Park near Crossville has been set for Sunday, June 11, 1961.

Peggy Cook, of Clemson, South Carolina, was the recent guest of Evelyn Taylor of Knoxville. She came to attend the TSD-Alumni basketball game on February 11.

Brooks Monaghan, Sr., of Memphis, Southern Grand Vice President of the NSFD, was in Chicago early in February. He conferred with the home of-

fice regarding plans for the 1963 convention of the NFSD to be held in Memphis. Committees from the six Tennessee divisions are arranging a conference for early spring to supplement the meeting held in Nashville last August.

Mr. and Mrs. Presley Nave, of Nashville, welcomed another son in February.

Francis Boyd and John Poston, of Chattanooga, were among those attending the funeral of Ralph Green in Nashville on March 6.

John Bailey and Wanda Collier were wed last November 26 at Lebanon. They are residing in Nashville, where John is a linotype operator and his bride a state office employee.

Rev. Carter Bearden, Sr., of Atlanta, will hold a revival at the First Baptist Church in Knoxville April 16-19.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bush, of Nashville, have another girl, their third child. They already had a boy and a girl.

Paul Jobe, of Memphis, accompanied Mr. and Mrs. James Caldwell to Knoxville for the TSD-Alumni basketball game February 11.

### MISSOURI . . .

Patsy Lee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Steinhauer of Leavenworth, Kansas, was united in marriage to Mr. Allen Matezka of the U. S. Army on October 29 in a beautiful ceremony at the Fort Leavenworth chapel.

L. S. Cherry of Chicago, president of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf, Supt. Stanley D. Roth of Olathe, and Supt. Lloyd Harrison of Fulton were the speakers at the 50th anniversary banquet of the K. C. Frat Division No. 31 held at Hotel President in Kansas City, Missouri, November 12. Grover C. Farquhar of Fulton was toastmaster. About 90 persons attended the banquet.

Harriet Stickney and George Duncanson were married on November 19.

Mrs. Nettie Sickel of Kansas City, Kansas, celebrated her 81st birthday on January 1. She was surprised at a birthday party at Mrs. Grace Arnett's home on January 8.

Mr. and Mrs. William Nedrow bought a lot at the Hurricane Deck Area at Sunrise Beach, Missouri, and are building a 24 by 30 cabin. They will have a place to go for their week-ends and vacations for fishing and cruising.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Johnson were surprised at a reception in their honor at the DeMolay Preceptory on November 19 on the occasion of their 40th wedding anniversary. With their wonderful cash gifts received, they bought a hide-a-bed couch.

John Hambel, son of Mrs. Wava Hambel, completed his 10-week boot training at San Diego and came home on December 3 for ten days' leave. He left again on December 13 and will be stationed at Pearl Harbor but at present is touring near Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. Pat McPherson made a trip to Iowa to visit Pat's folks for Christmas.

Raymond Grice of Baton Rouge, Louisiana, came to Kansas City to visit his old friends during Christmas week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leo Vohs were proud to learn their son Ralph was promoted to colonel at Omaha Air Base in Nebraska on January 26.

New or re-elected officers of the Greater Kansas City clubs: Kansas City Frat Division No. 31: George Lancaster, president; Virgil Tate, vice-president; Carl Wear, secretary, and Harold Day, treasurer. Kansas City Aux-Frats Division No. 134: Mrs. Edgar Templeton, president; Mrs. Elsie Lancaster, vice-president; Mrs. Herbert Teaney, secretary; Mrs. Harold Day, treasurer; St. Cadoc Catholic Club for the Deaf: Mrs. Illene Reilly, president; Francis Reilly, treasurer; Joe Weber, secretary; and Georgetta Graybill, chairman of food and entertainment committee. Kansas City Club of the Deaf: Jack Reid, president; August Weber, Jr., vice-president; Eugene Hughes, secretary, and Georgetta Graybill, treasurer. St. Louis Silent Club: Eugene McLaughlin, president; Allen Mais, vice-president; Mrs. Willoughby, secretary, and Philip Smith, treasurer. Topeka Club of the Deaf: Gene Ash, president; Walter Meyer, vice president; Mrs. Rosie Ash, secretary-treasurer, and Mrs. Walter Meyer, steward.

There was a large crowd of visitors from various parts of Missouri and Kansas on Saturday, February 3, for bowling in Olathe. Doris Heil won first place, with Mrs. Elsie Martin as runnerup, in the women's singles tournament, and Thaine Ayers won the championship in the men's division, with Don Miller of Hutchinson in second place and Bill Nedrow of K. C. in third place. This was the Olathe Club of the Deaf's first annual bowling tournament. About 14 women and 44 men participated in the tourney. Most of the visitors attended the basketball game between the Kansas School and the Missouri School in the evening.

### KANSAS . . .

Calvin Pritner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Ward Pritner of Olathe, was released as petty officer from the Navy last June. He now teaches at the University of Illinois, Champaign. The elder Pritners became proud grandparents of a first grandchild, Christopher, born to Calvin and wife on December 21.

Francis Mog is now working as a linotype operator with the Farmer Telegraph, a Kansas City daily paper which prints farm and cattle news. He commutes to his work from Olathe.

Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Parlett of Kingman recently spent a day with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stucky at Murdock.



Mr. and Mrs. Harry B. Shibley, Sr., of Coffeyville, Kansas, examine the many greetings cards received Christmas from their former students, co-workers and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ellinger made a surprise visit to her father and sister at Pittsburg on January 22.

The Silent Group's choir at the Wichita Riverside Christian Church of Wichita rendered several songs in sign language before the assembled students and faculty of the Friends University in its chapel on January 11. The choir used their new robes of dark blue with white collars. Roger Falberg accompanied the choir and gave a talk on deafness and the deaf.

Mr. and Mrs. David Dearman, nee Norma Leep, lost their second child born prematurely on January 11. The infant boy lived a few hours and is also survived by a 1½-year-old sister.

George Ellinger of Wichita is keeping himself fit for the International Games by running on the West High track. On Mondays and Wednesdays he plays basketball with the Gem team at the West YMCA. On other nights he practices, too. He also is in the Olathe basketball team which meets teams of other clubs in the Midwest Association of the Deaf.

This year Kansas is celebrating its centennial as one of the states in the Union. In Wichita, eight deaf men are sporting beards which we hope will be seen when the KAD rally is held in May. These men are Francis Srack, Jerry Crabb, Billy Vann, Dean Vanatta, Charles McKenzie, Richard Jennings, Thaine Smith, and Bill Lichtenberger.

Recent hospital patients in Wichita were Burr Mills and Mrs. Raymond Walz.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Munz and children of Wichita sprang a birthday surprise on Edward Eilts of near Winfield on January 14. They enjoyed ice cream, and the cake which was baked by Mrs. Munz. They stayed overnight.

Mrs. Darrell Green was honored at a stork shower at the home of Mrs. Donald Funke the afternoon of January 29. After appropriate games were played, Mrs. Green opened the gifts,

among which was a high chair given by the hostesses, Mrs. Funke and Doris Heil. White cake squares topped with miniature booties, mixed nuts, and coffee were served to about 16 ladies.

Fire broke out in a powerhouse and storage structure at the Kansas School the early morning of January 30. The cause of the fire was attributed to faulty wiring of a fluorescent light. The heaviest damage was in the workshop and to the tools. The heating equipment was not affected. The estimated damage was about \$20,000. The structure is located a considerable distance from dormitory facilities so no child was injured by the fire. Later in the morning some members of the Board of Regents visited the damaged building, which will have to be repaired.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson have moved back to Wichita from Shawnee Mission. He is back at his old job at the Boeing Aircraft Co.

Mrs. Edna Denton of Wichita, was a happy woman when many cards and gifts arrived on her 83rd birthday January 18. She is the second oldest "youngster" among the Wichita deaf people. Her general health is good.

Francis Srack and Jerry Crabb, with the Wichita Daily Eagle, vacationed the last week of January and the first week of February. Both, with their families, attended the homecoming basketball game between the Kansas Jackrabbits and the Missouri boys at the Kansas School February 4. The Crabbs spent their time at Oswatomie and Olathe. The Sracks visited his brother and friends in Kansas City, Missouri, his folks at Salina, and her folks at Gem.

Around 30 Wichitans and other deaf in Wichita area saw the Kansas Jackrabbits beat the Missouri team in the homecoming game at Olathe to the tune of 60-45. In last quarter Kansas overcame the lead of Missouri. In the preliminary game the Olathe reserves lost to the Missouri team.

The Olathe Club of the Deaf sponsored a singles bowling tourney the afternoon of February 4 at the Town and Country, Olathe's newest 24-alley building. The club also had hot supper for visitors from 5 to 7:30. Dancing and visiting were enjoyed by a large crowd.

Doris Heil was the only Wichitan that brought home bacon from the bowling meet at the Town and Country. Don Miller of Hutchinson took second place. Georgetta Graybill, the Missouri correspondent, won third highest among the women bowlers. The 24 lanes were all taken by bowlers from Wichita, Kansas City, and other towns.

Warren Dale, known also as Sammy, of Wichita completed the course in linotyping at Charles City, Iowa. He returned home with the Floyd Ellingers from Olathe February 5.

Mina Munz has moved to an apartment in the Snyder house in Kansas City from Olathe. She commutes to her work at Shawnee Mission by bus.

## NEW ENGLAND . . .

Eighty-three people were present at the Valentine Social on Saturday, February 11, at Austine. The Alumni lost the annual basketball game to the Austine boys. At the party in the evening several visitors were on hand from New York, Massachusetts, Connecticut, and Rhode Island. Crowned king and queen for the evening were Charles Johnson and Beverly Hickey. Crownbearers were Lynn Blaise and Leon Radzgminski. Later in the evening refreshments were served. Sunday morning there was a special meeting of the 25th anniversary committee. Plans are under way to make the 25th anniversary banquet and dance in June a gala affair. Also at the special meeting on Sunday morning a motion was made and passed that Mr. Tier be allowed \$40.00 from Alumni funds to purchase parts for the linotype machine in the school printing department.

Eileen Bostwick of Proctor, Vermont, writes that she was unable to be at the Valentine Social due to virus pneumonia but hopes to be present June 17.

Mrs. Vivian T. Medor of Swanton, Vermont, also writes that she was unable to be at Austine but wants to be remembered by all.

Edwin Jacobs of Franklin, New Hampshire, has been confined to the Laconia Hospital for a while.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. James Stirling, Jr., of Barre, Vermont, are doing well in their studies. Barbara, who is a student at American School for the Deaf, went to the basketball tournament in Buffalo, New York, as a cheerleader. Lynn, also a student at American, has been on the honor roll three times this year. Jimmie is getting good marks at college. Jim and Marguerite hope to be at the 25th anniversary reunion in June.

Remember the dates—June 17-18, 1961, at Austine. Roast beef supper, dancing to an orchestra, a movie, "Johnny Belinda," on Sunday morning.



# MINNESOTA CLASS OF 1935 HOLDS REUNION

—At the Minnesota Association convention at Duluth last July the Minnesota School for the Deaf's graduates of 25 years before posed for this picture. Naturally the picture includes some of their better halves. Standing, left to right: Francis Crowe, linotypist on second shift at the Duluth Herald-Tribune plant; Mrs. Rose Crowe (nee Hartman); Leo Latz, Gallaudet '40, long-time Minnesota correspondent for the SW, linotypist on the lobster shift at the Minneapolis Star and Tribune plant; Harold Domich, Gallaudet '40, professor at Gallaudet College and also a printer at



Ransdell Co. in Washington, D. C.; Carl F. Smith, present superintendent of the North Dakota School and former Minnesota teacher; Raymond Schultz, lens grinder at Ben-on Optical Co., Wausau, Wisconsin; Mrs. Harriett Tandberg (nee Beecher) of Superior, Wisconsin; Abraham Magnan, welder, Minneapolis. Seated: Vincent Schneider, an ex-classmate; Mrs. Alta Domich, secretary to Dr. Leonard M. Elstad of Gallaudet College; Mrs. Genevieve (Perhai) Schult; Arthur Tandberg; Mrs. Evelyn (Steinman) Latz; Mrs. Amy (Holland) Schneider; Mrs. Cecil (Grenier) Magnan, ex-Gallaudet '42. Those who could not attend the reunion were Maurice Schoenberg, linotypist for an Oakland, California, daily; Claxton E. Hess, Gallaudet '40, linotypist for a Pontiac, Michigan, daily; Mrs. Eleanor (Edin) Talsness of Battle Lake, Minnesota; and Stanley Royer, whereabouts unknown. Attempts to locate Mr. Royer were unsuccessful, and Mr. Latz would appreciate information about him. Much credit for the success of the reunion and supplying this cut is due Mr. and Mrs. Crowe.

## MINNESOTA . . .

Two deaths occurred on the same day in quite different places. Funeral services were held on February 14 for Mrs. Evelyn Kirke, who succumbed February 11 to a heart condition with which she had been ailing for several years. Born in Lydia, Minnesota, in 1896, Mrs. Kirke, nee Evelyn Coyne, was graduated from MSD in 1917, first one in her class to depart from the scene. Her husband, Axel, preceded her in 1948. Survivors include a daughter, Mrs. Monica Sherman, Minneapolis, one brother Thomas in Oregon, and one sister, Dolly Coyne, Minneapolis.

John Langford flew to LaFayette, California, to attend the funeral of his younger brother, George H., who passed away suddenly on February 11. He was only 56 years old. He left here in 1940 and became owner of the Napa Valley Ranch Club in California. Besides John, George left a wife, one son, one daughter, and two sisters.

Vernon Brown's father, Harold A., departed this life on February 13. Funeral services were held on February 18. He was 55 and had been in ill health for several years.

The father of Mrs. Alice (Fraki) Ellis of Riverside, California, and Mrs. Nona Schumacher of Detroit, died on February 14 in New York Mills, Minnesota. Both girls flew home to attend

the funeral. Mrs. Fraki was about 75 years old. Mrs. Ellis called on the Oscar Laubys February 24 before returning to Riverside. Mrs. Schumacher is still with her folks in New York Mills.

A shocker, it was, when it was learned that George Lewis of St. Joseph, Michigan, dropped dead while conversing with friends at a bowling center in Chicago where his wife, the former Clara Montgomery, participated in a tournament February 25. The couple had been married less than a year.

Services for Mark L. LeFebvre, age 4½, who died of cancer on February 17 were held on February 21. He was a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert LeFebvre. Only a few months ago the little boy's father died. Other survivors include his mother, a brother, and maternal grandparents.

John Fatticci's mother, Mrs. Domenici Fatticci, 76, of Hibbing, Minnesota, succumbed of cancer on February 21. A resident of Hibbing for 53 years, she was born in Italy, December 26, 1884. She leaves a husband, two sons, three daughters, 16 grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

A chronic heart condition once more sent the mother of Barney and Milton Block to the hospital. Mrs. Ada Schaffer is undergoing surgery for removal of cysts in her chest. Mrs. Jessie Ryg

had several cysts removed from her head recently and will return for further surgery.

Donald Boyer is beaming with pride, passing out cigars as father of a new girl.

This season proves to be a rough one for the Minnepaul basketball team, for they suffered more losses than games won. The Council Bluffites won handily in the first game on November 19, 96-50. In league play in Minneapolis, the quint lost all games, most of them by lopsided scores. At Faribault, they managed to win a couple of games. Only one bright spot was the double thriller won over the North Star Club last January for the right to represent Minnesota at the annual MAAD tournament in Des Moines, March 3-4. In the first game of the playoff series the score was tied, 54-54, in regulation time on January 21. Numerous fouls were called on both teams, and the Minnepaulites finally won, 60-57. On February 11, the Minnepaulites journeyed to Sioux Falls where they were turned back by the South Dakotans to the tune of 103-79. The winners came to St. Paul for a return game and found themselves on the short end, losing a 69-59 game to the vengeful Minnepaulites.

Art Gendreau recently completed a three-month course in the fundamentals of linotype operating at the famous linotype school in English, Indiana.



**PIONEERS AS DEAF POSTING MACHINE OPERATOR**—It is believed in Montana circles that Mrs. Victoria Catron is one of the first totally deaf women to work in the banking industry. In the above picture she is shown at the rear at the Northwestern Bank of Lewiston, Montana, at their grand opening recently. Vicky (nee Herbold) was graduated from the Montana School for the Deaf in 1946, attended business college, and started her apprenticeship at earning her own living as a stock clerk at Woolworth's. After more than a year of this, she applied for a job as bookkeeper at the First National Bank in Great Falls. The banking firm had never considered a deaf person for this kind of work but reluctantly gave Vicky a three-month trial. In the 12-odd years since she "broke the ice," this bank has hired several other deaf graduates of the Montana School. From there, Vicky went to Denver, where she worked for the City National Bank until love entered the picture, and she followed her new husband, Bob Catron, to Anchorage, Alaska, to continue her "trail blazing" for other deaf girls as posting machine operators in the banking industry. Now the Catrons have settled at Lewiston, Montana, where the president of the Northwestern Bank feels that Mrs. Catron "talks less than the others, and does her work so efficiently that the other 'guys' have to get on the ball to keep up with her!"

## CALIFORNIA . . .

Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Sonneson of Los Angeles are back home again following a honeymoon spent in Seattle. Their wedding took place at the Carolina Pines Restaurant in Los Angeles and was one of the most beautiful ceremonies with the proceedings spoken in English and Hebrew by Rabbi Solomon F. Kleinman. Translations were given by Mrs. Charles Gesner, instructor to the deaf, and Don Singer, who conducts services for the Jewish deaf at the Wilshire Boulevard Temple. Honor guests were Mrs. Louis Winer, chairman of the Sisterhood Services for the Deaf, and Harry Cook, head of State Rehabilitation Services for the Deaf of Los Angeles. Mrs. Sonneson is the former Helen Zucker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Zucker of Los Angeles, and the wedding took place on her 25th birthday. Helen is a graduate of the Mary E. Bennett School and the California School for the Deaf at Riverside. Wayne is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sonneson of Seattle and a graduate of Vancouver School. Deaf members of the bridal party included Barbara Goldman, maid of honor; Jill Sandusky, bridesmaid; and Emil Dahn, usher. Martin Zuker, brother of Helen, served as best man. A photograph of the lovely ceremony appeared in the society pages of the

Los Angeles newspapers.

From Arizona comes the news that Angel and Darlene Acuna of Tucson became parents of a second child January 4. New baby, a girl, has been named Vicki. The Acuna's oldest child, a boy, is nearing his fourth birthday, and the newest arrival rounds out a happy little family.

Iona Simpson of Colorado spent several weeks visiting in California at the home of friends in San Bernardino and at the home of her sister in Long Beach. Mrs. Simpson taught grammar and English in the upper grades at the Kansas School prior to 1945 and happily greeted some of her former pupils during her visit.

Six-year-old Peggie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ross Bailey of Long Beach, was hospitalized the end of January as a result of a traffic accident. Peggie was hit and badly injured by a car which went through a crosswalk across which dozens of youngsters were walking on their way to school at Atlantic and Artesia Boulevard in North Long Beach. We are happy to say however that Peggie is recovering and busily at work writing little thank you notes to her daddy's friends at the Long Beach Club who so generously donated sums of cash to assist her. Her father, Ross, is the popular president of the Long Beach Club.

Arthur L. Doane, son of Clarence Doane of Rossmoor, Los Alamitos, was recently awarded a 25-year pin by Governor Brown at a dinner in his honor at the Moose Hall in Long Beach given by members of his staff. Mr. Doane has served a quarter of a century with the California Department of Employment and is manager of the new Norwalk office opened February 20. The new office will serve an area of an estimated 280,000 population. Arthur, formerly manager of the Glendale branch office, served in Germany and France during World War II and is a lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserve. The deaf everywhere congratulate Arthur and his proud father, Clarence.

From faraway Seattle comes a letter telling of the arrival of Teresa Mary Stotler, the first child of Mr. and Mrs. Ronald K. Stotler, who celebrate their sixth wedding anniversary March 19. The letter glows with pride and happiness and congratulations are in order.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Hefley of Hardy, Iowa, spent a memorable winter vacation in California driving to San Francisco to see a cousin and also stop at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Tom Anderson before going south to the home of relatives in South Gate, suburb of Los Angeles. Mr. and Mrs. Harry Banks of Glendale hosted a dinner for them and 15 other former Iowa residents before they returned home to their Iowa farm.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dorts of Fort Dodge, Iowa, are visiting with their daughter in Sunland, California, and hope to spend several months on the west coast, maybe even a year.

Others from Iowa were Mr. and Mrs. Rud Kaplan of Alden who drove west to visit Glen Stokesbury in Vancouver, Washington. Glen is a former Iowan, too! The Kaplans then drove south to San Francisco to see Dr. and Mrs. Tom Anderson, then former teachers, and then on to Sunland, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Dorts and to Glendale to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Banks. The Bankses took them to various places of interest nearby and over to South Gate to see Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Asterberg and Mrs. Sam Brown. As this is written, the Kaplans, like the Hefleys, are back on the farm in Iowa reliving the wonderful events of their visits to California.

Spring is just around the corner, and folks seem to be on the move again. The Herb Schreibers of West Los Angeles are in the market for another home in the northeast section of Long Beach moved March 1 into their new home, and the John Falls of Long Beach. The Viri Masseyes are already settled in their lovely Lakewood house, and Maud and Angelo Skropeta moved into their new house in Alhambra February 4. Roy and Minnie Sigman bought themselves a brand new "camper" with all the latest luxury features, and they'll be spending some long and leisurely weekends off the beaten track in the "camper" which appears to us to be about as big as the Queen Mary or even the new Oriana which docked in Long Beach the other day.



## WASHINGTON, D. C. . . .

Mary Irene Fletcher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Fletcher, is engaged to Mr. Ronald McClure of Rockville, Maryland, and is planning to be married in midsummer.

We also have some proud papas. A nine-pound boy arrived on March 7 for Howard and Elaine Haines, and Frank and Meda Hutchinson were also blessed with a seven-lb. 13 oz. boy on March 8 that they named Alvin Roger. Both fathers were on the SEAAD Tournament committee, and both babies politely waited until after the big event was over.

Jackie Drake had the misfortune to trip on a rock in the parking lot at Hughes Memorial Gym just before the final game during the SEAAD tourney. She suffered a painful bruise and missed out on the tournament ball. She will make up for it though when she drives to Little Rock with husband, Warren, and attends the national tourney there. They will also visit with her folks and bring back some of the things they left there long ago.

Mrs. John Todd is now at home in Washington. She broke her hip while on vacation and has been under doctor's care ever since. It was necessary to pin her hip back together again. She is starting to learn to walk again with the help of a "walker," but it is a slow process and will take several

months. We are very glad to hear that she is on the road to recovery.

Jo Ann Loggans was rushed to Providence Hospital at 4 a. m. on February 27 to have her appendix removed. It was just two days before the smashing successful play, "Charlie's Aunt," was due to be performed but Betty Miller filled Jo Ann's role of Kitty Verdun in the play and all was well. The entire cast of the play visited her a few days later after previously sending flowers. Her mother from Tennessee is with her now, and she is recuperating for another week before returning to work at the bank.

Clifford Dickinson completed his courses in the first semester at Gallaudet and is now studying part-time during the second semester. He hopes to get his sheepskin in the spring. Between studies he works in a print shop.

The Dramatic Guild's latest play, "Charlie's Aunt," directed by Gilbert Eastman not only brought down the house and was given for a third time on March 11 by popular demand but also attracted a prominent actress, Anne Bancroft, who plays the part of Helen Keller's teacher in the Broadway play "The Miracle Worker." She was very impressed with the acting, and when Jerald Jordan had the sense to ask her to autograph some of the programs for the cast, their "cup runneth over." They have been asked to show it again this fall in New York City

for David Peikoff and Gallaudet's Centennial Fund drive. Do by all means watch for the date and mark it on your calendar as a **MUST SEE** as words simply cannot express how hilarious it is and how much you will enjoy it.

Thanks to co-chairmen Dick Caswell and Tom Cuscaden, the SEAAD Tournament held in D. C. and played at Hughes Memorial Gym at Gallaudet was one of the best planned events to be held here in all time. Opening with "Charlie's Aunt" on Thursday, March 2, it moved to a smooth climax at the tournament ball held at the headquarters Hotel Raleigh where the final trophies were awarded and Mrs. Mary Miller was crowned queen with a real sparkling crown and presented with a watch as well. The floor show with Soo Ling, the girl magicienne who could make birds and dollar bills appear and disappear at will and was also a fire eater, and the beautiful blonde dancer with her graceful movements will be discussed again and again for months to come. Credit must also go to Roger Scott, entertainment chairman; Frank Hutchinson, reservation chairman; Fred Schreiber, publicity; Howard Haines, advertising; Bob Lindsey, trophies; Joe Broz, tickets; and to Elmore Bernsdorf; President Hoberman (who helped collect the most boosters of all time); and to all the other willing workers including the Homemakers Guild who made pen-

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nants for every team participating in the tournament and added to the spirit of the affair. The DCCD's Capitol City Cagers took first place overwhelming Roanoke, 84-40. Talladega topped Atlanta, 47-31, for the third place, and Spartanburg took consolation honors by outlasting Jacksonville, 55-50. Gene Smith, Chuck Buemi, Gerald Pelarski, DeWayne Werner, and Waymon Harkins were named All-Stars, and Gene Smith of DCCD also took the Most Valuable Player trophy. Talladega received the Team Sportsmanship Award for the second straight year, and Coach Harry L. Baynes was voted Coach of the Year. Tom Cuscaden was also elected new president of the SEAAD. Harry L. Baynes will serve as vice president and Sam L. Rittenberg as secretary-treasurer. Of course, our battle cry now is "See you in Little Rock," and a 51-passenger Super 46 has been chartered to carry the team and their fans to the nationals. The club also voted to send hard-working President Irving Hoberman on an expense-paid trip to Little Rock out of gratitude for his many years of service to the club and especially his past three years as president of our up-and-coming organization. And, you bet your boots, we have every reason to be proud of it.

Next month the Workshop will meet at Fort Monroe, and we should be able to rattle off names and words and achievements, especially since our club newspaper is putting out a special edi-

tion for this event that should run to some 20 pages and keep this writer busy as a bee. But somehow we will make a very special effort to see that D. C. is not left out of the SW in the future. The readers have yelled so loud and long that I have dropped everything to get this out. Thank you . . . I am glad to know the SW is read and appreciated.

#### NEBRASKA . . .

Mrs. China Zadina, widow of John Zadina, died at Glendale, California, January 7 and was buried in Lincoln January 11. She was 82 and had been a lifelong resident of Lincoln with the exception of the last few years, during which she lived with her daughter, Mrs. Ann Ostran at Glendale. She and her husband had both been active members in the Lincoln Silent Club and the Nebraska Association of the Deaf up to the time the advancing years made it hard for them to get to meetings. In addition to the daughter mentioned above, she is also survived by a son, Simon of Lincoln, and another daughter, Mrs. John Chapman of South Gate, California, four grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sabin, Mrs. Stacia Cody, and Mrs. John Burlew attended the services at which Mrs. Nettie Barney acted as an interpreter for them.

Blanche Andrews of Altadena, Cali-

fornia, spent three days at Palm Springs with a nephew at Christmas and on New Year's Day enjoyed the Tournament of Roses parade.

Donna Overman Newman of Deshler, Nebraska, joined a ladies' bowling league in Deshler and is enjoying the sport very much.

Arlen Tomlin of Lincoln was involved in a four-car accident caused by a driver who apparently suffered a heart attack at the wheel and rammed into Arlen's car which in turn hit another car. We are not clear as where the fourth car came from. We are glad to say Arlen was not as badly beat up as his old car, and the other driver's insurance paid for the damage done.

The oldest daughter, Lois, of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Nord of Manhattant, Kansas, was married December 10 at Sweet Home, Oregon. The Nord's were unable to attend because of the length of the trip involved.

Mrs. Robert Reicher of Beatrice has been working at a hospital in Beatrice, and it is her first job other than a full time job as a housewife for over 25 years. She enjoys the varied work at the hospital but still feels that the job of "housewife" comes first. She is hoping that the extra money she can earn will help put their son, Wayne, through college in a few years to come.

On January 7, the Ronald Hunts of Lincoln drove to Omaha to buy a boat kit. They spent the night with Mr. and Mrs. William Bailey and visited the house which the Baileys are building and expect to have finished by spring. Ron and Ray Morin were in Minnesota December 15-23, having gone with their foreman in a large truck with a digging machine to dig holes at gas pumping stations for 20 towns north of Minneapolis. Ron and Ray have been building chain link fences at various places around Lincoln for missile bases and private jobs.

Mrs. Eunice Kling's parents of Wyoming were in Lincoln to visit her and Howard for the New Year's holiday. Eunice has been working at the Nebraska Salesbook Co. for several years and Howard at My-Gain TV Antenna Co.

On Saturday morning, January 7, the Roy Sparks family and Everett Winters, all of Omaha, drove to the farm of Kenneth Cunningham at Primrose to get their last chance at some pheasant hunting. They hunted going, and the next day they hunted on their way home, but they had nary a pheasant to show for all their traveling. Roy hit a couple, but they got away. He saw many hens and missed a coyote, or perhaps it was a farmer's dog! While at the Cunninghams', the Sparkses learned that Alvin Hughes and his wife operate a cafe at Sargent, Nebraska. Another item they picked up was that the Kenneth Cunningham house was damaged by fire, not too seriously, in November, and we are glad to know the damage was covered by insurance.

We were sorry to learn of the death of the father of Tom Harris shortly before Christmas.

Gerald Badman, of DeWitt, who, as you no doubt know, will at the drop of a hat collect almost anything—stamps, coins, old telephones, curios,

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antiques, and junk—is contemplating building a museum addition to his home to house his “junk.” He delights in going to some place like the Pioneer Village at Minden, finds that he has something that they don’t have, and dickers with them to see what they will offer him, even if he has no intention of trading.

Mrs. Estes, 90-year-old mother of Mrs. Bill Sabin, is now at a nursing home in Bethany recovering from a bad fall in which she injured her back some time ago.

Mrs. Otto Gross entered Bryan Memorial Hospital on January 16 for an operation performed next day. We certainly hope she has a speedy recovery and that the Gross family will have no more operations for a long time to come.

Gordon Bayne, a NSD graduate now living in Sioux City, Iowa, and Marlene Von Hippel of St. Paul, Minnesota, announced their engagement in November.

Former NSD students holding offices in the Sioux City Silent Club: Gordon Bayne, president; Mrs. Ileen Hahle Cunningham, treasurer; and Leona Herfel Ogiers, auditor.

Don, June, and Ronnie Collamore, along with Don’s mother and father, drove to Kansas City, Missouri, Christmas Day to visit Don’s brother and family. Don’s brother is now working for Western Electric there. They were taken up town to see the beautiful

Christmas lights that outlined all of the buildings. It was the first time they had been to Kansas City, and they had a wonderful time.

The Clayton Lees and Arvid Trick-eyes are all living in the Los Angeles vicinity, and we’re hoping to see them at the NAD Convention next fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kuster of Lincoln had a visit from their son Paul and his family of Omaha on January 8. Paul brought along an entire meal, so his mother had an easy time with the dinner.

Darlene Anderson of Kearney, Nebraska, announced her engagement to Charles Smith of Kansas City. It has been a source of wonder to us that such a pretty girl as Darlene was not married long ago.

Mrs. Maude Burlew, Miss Emma Marshall, and Mrs. Stacia Cody entertained Miss Katherine Babcock of Omaha at Mr. and Mrs. Bill Kuster’s apartment on January 2. Mr. and Mrs. John Reed, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Sabin, Miss Nora Nanney, Mrs. Jennie Sturdevant, and Mrs. Edith Osmun attended the “get together.”

Fannie Lindberg received a nice letter from the Bob Gehm family of Myrtle Creek, Oregon. Their three sons are getting along fine in school. The oldest was on the first string of an eight-man football team which won five games and lost two for the Oregon School for the Deaf. Gene is working part time at the Rosebury Coke Co.

in the eveninys and has a driver’s license now. Rosie and Bob go to the deaf club at Medford, Oregon, occasionally.

## COLORADO . . .

Tony Spano and Paul Miller returned home not long ago from a three-week vacation trip to Southern California in Paul’s car. The boys spent New Year’s Eve at the Long Beach Club and were at the Los Angeles Club when the Hollywood Club had its 1963 AAAD Tournament rally. While in Las Vegas, Tony and Paul had a run of good luck.

Jerome Aregi and Kenneth Longmore were hospital patients during January and by coincidence occupied the same floor of St. Joseph’s Hospital, Denver. Jerome was there for observation and Kenneth for an emergency appendectomy.

Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Haptonstall of Colorado Springs welcomed their first child, a son, Tommy Ray, on January 12.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Schwint, former Coloradans now living in Quincy, Washington, have been visiting her parents in Eaton, Colorado. The Schwints were brought to the Silent Athletic Club on January 21 by Tony Spano after witnessing the basketball game between the SAC and Colorado Springs Silents.

John and Grace Haptonstall and two The SAC of Denver won two games from the Colorado Springs Silents and will represent Colorado in the forth-

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coming MAAD tournament at Des Moines March 3-4.

John and Grace Haptonstall and two children are in Denver and vicinity for a prolonged visit and hope to settle down here if John is able to secure a job. Grace's folks live in Greeley, and they have been staying with them. They also visited the Melvin Haptonstalls and Dee Haptonstalls in Colorado Springs.

John Salazar and Sally Acosta were united in marriage on January 21 in Pueblo, and after a week's honeymoon they are at home in Denver.

Rev. and Mrs. Homer E. Grace left February 5 for a visit in the Bay Area and Los Angeles. Mrs. Grace's sister lives in Los Angeles. Mrs. Iona Simpson left February 2 for a month's visit in California.

From "The Mission Visitor" edited by Rev. Homer E. Grace, D.D., we learn that:

Rev. Grace went to Washington, D. C., in January, having been called to attend a meeting of the Advisory Com-

mittee on Deaf Work. Mrs. Elizabeth Lessley asked Dr. Grace to take along her father's college diploma and present it to Gallaudet College for safekeeping. Her father, the late Frederick Reid, graduated in 1872 and at that time all diplomas were printed on genuine sheepskin. While in Washington January 25-28, Dr. Grace had the opportunity to find a safe place for keeping the document—the College library. The librarian was happy to get it. The diploma was signed by U. S. Grant, who was then President, besides Dr. Edward Miner Gallaudet. There are very few such early diplomas in existence now, and Dr. Grace does not know if there are any others in the keeping of the College. Dr. Grace also took along a small brochure that shows the Lord's Prayer in signs dated 1899. Mrs. Grace found this brochure among papers left by her mother. The librarian said the College did not have anything like it and was happy to get it.



## Stalling Along...

By Stahl Butler

Executive Director, Michigan Association for Better Hearing

An old copy of *The Michigan Mirror* carries an interesting paragraph on Bucharest deaf traffic officers. According to the news item, "their strict devotion to duty has been the answer to traffic jams." Certainly here is a job that involves a minimum of communication or none at all. More such jobs should be isolated and deaf people placed in them to prove that the deaf can do them better than the hearing people available for such work.

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Another such job is collecting pennies and nickels from parking meters. There are a number of such naturals for the deaf at which they never have had a chance to show what they can do. Not that these are wonderful jobs, but they would be wonderful to many men, deaf or hearing.

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I was very glad to see in the news about the project of the Olathe, Kansas, deaf in folding fliers for another organization. This was a real community contribution and a real public relations project.

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The above reminds me of the good question asked by President BBB in the last SILENT WORKER. He was listing all the local services his office was asked to perform and explaining how his national office was not set up to spend all its time locally.

He then asked how all these needs of the deaf can be met all the way across our great country. My answer is not original with me, but I believe it is a good answer. Help for the deaf it is a good answer. Help for the deaf

need help with deafness too—parents, teachers, employers, public servants, etc. Therefore, the agency for the deaf in a community should be the equal of any other agency in the city. Also, it should be set up to help the hearing about the deaf as well as to help the deaf themselves. Then, when there begins to be a sharing of information **both ways**, for both the hearing and the deaf, and between the agency for the deaf and other agencies, then the deaf will begin to receive all the services they should get from all the other community agencies.

Thus endeth my answer to BBB's good question.

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I have written about the work going on in Michigan mental hospitals. It started with Mrs. Patricia Bachman at Lapeer Home and Training School. She took the Gallaudet course. She hired Richard Johnson. Mrs. Johnson volunteered her services with the result that she is now a teacher there. There have been signing classes for both patients and employees, and the state administration has made a list of more than 85 deaf in state hospitals who, in the opinion of psychologists, have a rehabilitation potential. Now comes a project, not yet approved, which would provide for complete hearing and psychological testing of all patients with any noticeable hearing loss.

And, there is our weekly class in group therapy for 10 deaf men in Ionia State Hospital. An hour a week seems pretty slow, but perhaps we are fast. I don't know. I am teaching three deaf men to spell and sign.

## FLORIDA . . .

Tampa will be host to the Florida Association of the Deaf convention in 1963. On January 21, the Tampa Club of the Deaf voted to invite the convention, and FAD officers accepted the bid. Tentative plans call for the convention to be held in early June, 1963.

The Jacksonville Club's basketball team participated in the SEAD Basketball Tournament held in Washington, D. C., March 2-4. Members of the team: Ray Harris, Gene Kurtz, Ralph Osborne, Kirby Bradley, Allen Williams, Arthur G. Dignan, Earl Langley, Harold Scott, Lester Arnold, Alton Carter, Foster Brockman, Ray Appin, and Coach John Nelson.

Officers of the Miami Association for 1961: Callie Blount, president; George Herbst, vice president; John Hill, secretary; and Donald Crownover, treasurer. The MAD is hard at work on plans for the 1962 convention of the National Association of the Deaf.

The Tampa Club held its anniversary banquet on March 4 at Jake Walker's Restaurant. It is now four years old. The Valentine party on February 11 was well attended. Many out-of-staters wintering in Florida were mingling with the natives.

Mrs. Verna T. Welsh teaches the sign language to parents and church workers every Monday at the Miami Hearing Society. Ray Browning conducts a similar class at Temple Terrace Baptist Church in Tampa. Another such project is at South Florida State Hospital by Dr. Mark Wodin, psychologist, with about 30 hospital workers learning signs.

Rev. John W. Stallings led a special service at Miami Central Baptist Church on February 14 and showed slides on his work with the deaf in Jamaica as part of his talk.

On February 5, Thelma Boltz, Dana Mitchell, N. B. Tillman, and Lena Mills, all of Tampa, drove down to Nokomis to visit the Deans and Mrs. Ina Mallman.

Miss Karen Miller of Sarasota has been attending the IBM school in Miami.

Mr. and Mrs. William J. Wiggers of Evansville, Indiana, have been spending the winter in St. Petersburg and are considering Florida for a retirement haven.

Herbert Gardner, a resident of Plant City, passed away on February 2. He was the father of James E. Gardner, the deaf barber, also of Plant City.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Frederickson of Tampa welcomed a new son on January 9.

Mrs. C. W. Harris of Palmetto suffered a heart attack early in February and has been confined to a hospital.

Cobb Boynton is building a home on the Carrabelle River near Pensacola. Although he is "retired," he is still on call as a marine machinist.

Samuel Boggs, having retired after many years with Goodyear in Akron, has moved into a new home in Leesburg. He and Mrs. Boggs have a daughter living in Vero Beach.

Warren Rentz of Tampa underwent major surgery on February 22. He was doing nicely at the last report.



## OREGON . . .

Keith Lange was invited by Portland Chapter OAD last November to give a talk to the group about what he learned at the NAD Convention last July, which he attended as Oregon's delegate. A social and refreshments followed.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Rebitzke arranged a nice Christmas party for the Salem Chapter of OAD with games, refreshments, and gift exchange. Quite a number of visitors were present.

Omicron Tau held another meeting at the home of Mrs. Edna Wood in Portland January 29 which was well attended. After close of business the following were elected: Jean Stokesbary, president; Jean Teets, vice president; and Aletha Whitney, secretary-treasurer. Mrs. Wood served a delicious chicken a la king dinner afterwards.

The annual business meeting was held by Salem Chapter of the OAD in January with Mr. and Mrs. Olaf Tollefson in charge of refreshments. The chapter voted to give \$100 to help send two deaf boys from Oregon School to the International Games in Finland this coming summer. Officers elected: Kenneth Powell, president; Royal Teets, vice president; Jean Teets, secretary; Mabel Wood, treasurer; Georgia Ulmer, Leylan Wood, and Edwin Stortz, trustees.

President John G. O'Brien called OAD Board of Directors to a business meeting January 23. Among items discussed and passed: Sending Oregon's quota of \$150 to NAD and donating \$50 toward the International Games. The Board also accepted the NAD proposal of holding state conventions in odd years.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Hill were feted at First Christian Church on their silver wedding anniversary with an attendance of some 75 deaf people, Sunday, February 5. Committee: Agnes Peterson, Rowena Smith, Ethel Rebitzke, Joanne Smith, and Kathy Hill.

### In Memoriam

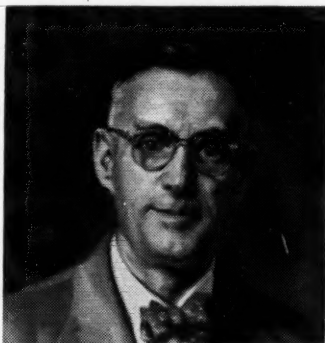
#### LOYALL FARRAGUT WATSON 1886-1960

By Jesse L. Bruner, Jr.

All too seldom do the deaf of the world realize how fortunate they are when a hearing person becomes wholeheartedly interested in their problems—their hopes—their dreams—their ambitions. All too few of our brothers and sisters who are blessed with normal hearing fully realize and appreciate our many difficulties, which we, who live in a world of silence, merely take for granted from day to day and live each day unto itself.

On May 18, 1960, the deaf of our country and the State of California, in particular, lost a most interested friend and benefactor: a man who had shown through the years both a financial and humanitarian interest and devotion to the cause of the deaf, Loyall Farragut Watson.

Mr. Watson and his wife, Mildred (nee Mildred M. Angle), were just starting on a long planned vacation trip to Washington, D. C., and inter-



Loyall Farragut Watson

mediate points, when they were involved in a tragic auto accident less than 100 miles from home. The accident occurred when Mr. Watson, who was driving their car at the time, suffered a slight stroke and their car went off the road out of control. Mr. Watson's injuries resulted in his death a few hours later, his wife, though severely injured, recovered after a lengthy stay in the hospital and convalescence at home.

Mr. Watson's retirement from his architectural business was to have been effective as of July 1, 1960. He was 74 years old at the time of his death.

During his youth, Mr. Watson took an examination for admittance to the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. He passed all tests, but his hearing percentage was so low that he flunked out on the physicals.

He later entered Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, New York, from which he was graduated in engineering. Upon his graduation and securing his engineering certificate, he entered the engineering field in California working with several partners until he joined Mr. David J. Witmer in 1919, which firm later became Witmer, Watson & Pidgeon. This association continued for a period of 40 years up to the time of his death.

Mr. Watson's interest in the deaf

and their problems had been lifelong, but were intensified when he married Miss Mildred M. Angle in 1938. Miss Angle's parents were both deaf. Her mother, Violet Angle MacDonald, was devoted to the deaf and extremely active in their interests. She worked hard for the Lutheran Church, the Sunshine Circle, and also for the California Home for the Aged Deaf.

Mr. Watson's hope was to see a modern home for the aged deaf developed from the present modest beginning in Los Angeles. Through the years he and his wife had contributed hundreds of dollars toward the buildup and improvement of the Home. He had planned to devote the majority of his retirement time to drafting plans for one of the finest, most modern, one-level homes for the deaf, with due regard given to possible future expansion so that there would be facilities to care for not just a few, as at the present, but for all who might wish to live in the tranquility of such a haven of rest in their declining years. He and his wife, Mildred, frequently attended Board of Managers meetings at the Home and offered timely and constructive advice in planning for the future of the Home. They were both members of the Board of Sponsors for the Home. Mildred continues as one of our sponsors, carrying on the work and interest her husband was so dedicated to.

To date, records show that over \$700 has been given to the Building Fund as a memorial to Mr. Watson by his many friends and business associates. This is a splendid testimony as to his unquestioned popularity and devoted services to the deaf through the years.

Now—almost a year since the accident, a bronze plaque is to be erected by the Board of Managers of the Home and placed in the lobby as a perpetual memorial to Mr. Watson and his unselfish, dedicated work in the interest of the deaf. In our hearts—in our memory—may I quote "He is not gone; he is just away."

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# The Legal Column

By Lowell J. Myers

Attorney at Law

## "The Dotted Line . . ."

A young deaf fellow in Chicago saw an advertisement in the newspaper saying that if anybody wanted to improve his dancing ability, he should go to a certain dance studio where he would get a free lesson on how to dance better. The lesson was free! It said so right there in the advertisement. Now, this young fellow was not much of a dancer, and he had often thought that he would like to be better at it, so he went down and asked for the free lesson.

At the dance studio they turned him over to a beautiful young girl who was going to be his instructor. She took him into a little room where they would be all alone together. She turned on the music, put her arms around him, and snuggled up close. It was quite a lesson. He learned a lot, and not all of it was about dancing.

At the end of the lesson she asked him: "Did you like it?" "I surely did," he said. "Would you like to do this every week?" Said he: "I do." "Mind if I do."

"Could you pay \$10 a week?" she asked.

"Oh, sure I could," he answered.

She pulled out some forms and told him to sign them. He glanced over them and saw the words "JUDGEMENT NOTE," "WAGE ASSIGNMENT," "CHattel MORTGAGE," "AFFIDAVIT," and so forth. "Now, wait a minute," he said. "What is this?"

"Oh, that doesn't mean anything. Those are just the standard forms. We use them for everybody. You hurry up and sign them, and I'll go out on a date with you **right now**."

Well, he was in no mood to sit down and start reading fine print. He had other things on his mind. He signed up and took her by the arm and said: "Let's go!"

Did she go out with him? Yes, she did. She went down to the corner with him for five minutes and had a cup of coffee, she said: "Well, I've got to get back now." "What about our date?" he asked. "What do you mean?" she said. "You've just had a date with me. I had this coffee with you, didn't I? That's a date, isn't it? But don't you worry, sweetheart; you've got an appointment for 2:00 o'clock next week."

Next week he was at the dance studio at 2:00 o'clock sharp. They turned him over to a different instructor this time. She was a big, fat woman about 65 years old. She stepped all over his feet for 20 minutes until he finally got tired of it and left. He went back the following week, but again they gave him the 65-year-old instructor. "I'm sorry," the manager said, "but the first instructor just

handles the first free lesson. She does not do anything else but that."

"But I thought I was going to have the first instructor for all of my lessons."

"Oh, no," the manager said, "we have the right to give you any instructor that we want. It's right there in your contract. Just take a look at paragraph Number 18."

Was the boy disappointed? "Disappointed" is not the word for it. He was downright furious. He told the manager: "You tricked me. I won't pay a penny on that contract." The manager replied: "That's up to you."

He made no payments for three weeks, and then his pay check was suddenly tied up with a garnishment action. Legal papers were served upon him. They were going to take \$35 a week out of every pay check until the full amount of the contract was paid for, and the contract was for \$965.00 worth of "lessons." He came to me to see what could be done.

I read the contract that he signed. What a contract! It had everything in it that I ever heard of, and all of it was in favor of the dance studio. Nothing was in his favor. By signing that contract he had signed away most of his legal rights.

I finally made a settlement with them so that he didn't have to pay the full \$965.00 that they wanted. But it was still expensive for him, and he learned a lesson from it.

The lesson was—"Don't pay any attention to the 'build-up'. It's what's in the contract that counts."

## "A Poor Old Woman"

I represented a landlord on the West Side of Chicago. Some people had rented an apartment in his building, and they had failed to pay the rent for four months in a row. I evicted them from the building, and then I sued them for the rent they owed which was \$260. I got a judgment against them and then placed a writ of execution with the sheriff.

The sheriff came back and said that he couldn't find any property belonging to them to pick up. I had an investigation made by some private investigators, but they couldn't find any property belonging to these people. So then I started citation proceedings against the husband. I had him picked up by the sheriff, and he was held in custody overnight. The next morning he was brought to court, and I examined him under oath and asked him questions. He swore that he had no property of any kind.

I threatened to take further proceedings against him, and that scared his wife. (She had come down that

morning to be with her husband in court.) She started crying, "Oh Lord," she said, "we're so poor. We have nothing. How can you be so mean, Mr. Myers? How can you be so cruel to us? Why do you persecute us this way? I'm just a **poor old woman**. I'm just struggling to keep the family together, and we have a poor little girl to take care of (sob), and we don't even have food in the house and boo-hoo-hoo . . ."

She started crying all over the floor. Everybody felt sorry for her. I took a look at her. She had on shabby old clothes; there were runs in her stockings; and her shoes had big holes in them. I felt ashamed of myself.

"Madam," I said, "Can't you pay anything at all on this judgment?"

"Well," she said, "I went around to all of my relatives last night, and I borrowed a little here and a little there; and I managed to get \$100 together. It's not my money. It's my relatives' money. I'll give it all to you if you'll cancel the judgment and leave us alone."

Now, the judgment was for \$260, plus court costs, and there was a lot of costs. The total amount due was close to \$300. But it seemed that we would be lucky to get \$100 from them, and I felt so sorry for her that I didn't want to refuse her.

I accepted the \$100 and issued a satisfaction of judgment and gave her a general release; and the whole thing was cancelled for \$100. Of course, she was making a profit of almost \$200 on this deal, but there didn't seem to be anything else to do. I didn't want to keep on pestering such a poor old lady.

She gave me the \$100 and put the papers in her purse and dried her tears and walked out of the courtroom. As she was going through the door, she turned back and gave me a sweet smile and said: "You're a real sucker, Mr. Myers. **We've got \$12,000 saved up**. We saved it all by not paying rent to anybody!"

Boy, was I surprised!

I checked with some of her former landlords and with her present landlord, and it was true. She had never paid rent to **anybody**. She would just stay in an apartment until she was evicted, and then she would move on to another place. By never paying rent, I am sure that she must have been able to save as much as she said.

Most of her former landlords had felt so sorry for her when she started crying and carrying on that they had never even bothered to sue her. Her "act" was perfect. She should have been an actress.

Over the years I have met many women like that, especially in divorce cases. The woman will cry and carry on and tell you stories about her husband until you think that she is just an innocent little woman, and everything is the husband's fault. But then when you get the actual facts, you find out that they are entirely different.

No matter how convincing a person may be, it does not necessarily mean that he is telling the truth. Some people are very good actors.



# The Educational Front and Parents' Department

By W. T. Griffing, Editor

We hate to disturb you at this early hour, but it is important that we ask this question: Have you seen the dead line in your cyclone cellar? We cannot find the old rascal. We are afraid it is scared stiffer than a stiff, what with the winds kicking up such a fuss.



W. T. GRIFFING

There is nothing like good, hot coffee on a morning such as this.

Oklahoma, for some unexplained reason, is getting more than a just share of the tornadoes. Can you use a couple? Whether you can or cannot is not so important now that the ice has been broken and we can tell you how glad we are to be talking with you again.

## Prize that driver's license!

As most of you know, or should know, there is a jimdandy convention coming up in Salem, Oregon, June 25-30. One will be certain to meet an acquaintance of bygone conventions, say, Colorado Springs or St. Augustine or Fulton or Jacksonville or Faribault, to name a few. We come right out in the open and confess we have never graduated magna cum laude from any memory course, thus we are often embarrassed when a person walks up to us to ask, "Remember me?"

We like the custom that is used on a largely unexplored island in the Pacific. It is one that cannot be surpassed. When someone comes up whom you have not seen in a long time, he does not ask "Remember me?" He says, "Hello there, Griffing." His name is Griffing, see, so the other fellow comes back with, "Hello there, Poindexter." His name is Poindexter. Why didn't we think of this before? Those natives, we bet, never went to college, so . . .

Not what "What has the NAD done for me?" . . . But "What have I done for the NAD?"

While we are so close to college, we want to quote something most impressive from the pen of Harry Golden who is known throughout the nation for his penetrating philosophy of living:

"The insistence that a college degree is a must has substantially disturbed education. Teachers tell me how the insistence on high marks has led to cheating in the third grade. Rather than encouraging education, the prospect of college has denied it: the kids do not think of what they are reading, but how to get a good mark from reading it. In college a smaller percentage is studying the humanities than ever before. College has become a training place for dental assistants, food testers, and salesmen.

"Why all this fuss? Are we trying

to disguise certain professions? A car salesman keeps his job and supports his family not because he went to college, but because he sells cars."

Class is dismissed!

## Still room with the Georges for you.

We must be getting lazier or folks are getting so that they take ideas away from us before we can sit down at this machine. Anyway, here is something we should have told you ourselves a long, long time ago but somehow didn't:

## No Automatic School

The school board of East Green-nush, New York, has the right idea in a message it included in the program of dedication for a new junior high school building.

"We're proud of our new junior high school, and you will be, too," said the board. "But right now—while the paint is fresh, the floors shining, and the desk tops unmarred by carved initials—it is a good time to remind ourselves that first things come first . . . The building is important only because what goes on inside it is important . . .

"The quality of the education students receive in the new building depends only partly on the kind of building in which they are taught, and much more important on intangibles—the kind of teachers they have, the philosophy and the programs which guide these teachers, and the support this effort to educate receives from parents and the whole community.

"In short, this new building is no 'magic answer.' It does not automatically produce educated children."

Now that some one has said this for us, we know you'll agree with us, too.

## Why not be at Salem?

Somehow this cyclonic morning we cannot get very far away from the three R's. Does that speak for a guilty conscience? Or are we just preaching? Anyway, here is another thought that should make teachers sleep better nights:

Calvin E. Gross, superintendent of schools of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, is speaking—"The speculation that teaching machines may eventually replace teachers is a bit of foolishness that should be nipped in the bud. In every subject field there are essential instructional functions requiring perception, analysis, insight, and decision that only a human can perform. . . . At whatever point a machine exhausts the capabilities of its design, there stands a teacher ready to proceed."

Now, see why the three R's are such fun?

## Given to the Gallaudet Fund?

It used to be "A penny saved is a penny earned." Now it is "A penny saved is taxable." Another one to confuse you: We were taught that "When there's a will, there's a way." The new

translation is "When there's a will, there's a lawyer or a relative."

## Believe in the NAD. It does in you!

Our sins, we are certain, are so many that we fairly stagger under their crushing weight. Our daughter, at the University of Wyoming, tells us that her English professor shudders to see a sentence begin with "Well," and we have been guilty for lo! these many years. At times our finger slipped, missing *w*, hitting *h*, but it usually ended up meaning the same thing. We must try to learn.

We bet you are wide awake, sniffing our coffee, while muttering to yourself, for tape recording on your hearing aid, "I must arise, otherwise I'll be giving myself more trouble than that dead-line does WTG!" Such a shuddering realization sends you leaping out of bed for the gloriousness of the day's work. Ain't we all lucky folks, even luckier if we are working for the NAD?

We have enjoyed this little visit with you fine people, my favorites. Thank you for reading this far with—WTG.

## Dr. Stokoe Goes to Britain To Study English Signs

To investigate visual communication among adult British deaf persons, Dr. William C. Stokoe, professor of English at Gallaudet College, will leave the United States on March 21, 1961, for a five-month stay in the British Isles. His research trip is being sponsored by the American Council of Learned Societies and is part of a long-term program to structural analysis of sign language under Dr. Stokoe's direction.

The particular interest of this study is the British sign language as it differs from and is similar to American sign language and the relationship of visual language structure to the national and regional dialects.

Dr. Stokoe's main centers of work will be with the welfare centers, clubs, and missions for the deaf in London and Birmingham, England; in Belfast and Dublin, Ireland; and in Edinburgh and Glasgow, Scotland.

Dr. Stokoe, who began research in linguistics several years ago, has written two books on the subject: *The Calculus of Structure* was written with the special need in mind of students at Gallaudet College; *Sign Language Structure* (STUDIES IN LINGUISTICS, Occasional Papers 8, University of Buffalo, 1960) gives a short history of the sign language and its relation to spoken and to manually spelled out English.

While abroad, Dr. Stokoe may be contacted at The National Institute for the Deaf, 105 Gower Street, London W.C. 1, England.

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# Woman Talk



By EDNA H. BAYNES

Dear Kathleen, mavoureen,

The top o' the morning to ye, Erin go Bragh, and long live St. Patrick but not those peddling snakes!

Did your mother come from Ireland? My grandparents did. That may explain why, as graduation neared for me some years ago, I chose for my graduation essay "Ireland—the Emerald Isle."

For a month my teacher at the Missouri School for the Deaf, Miss Patti Palmer, coached me on that essay. I knew it forward and backward. Even today I can rattle off the beginning of it: "Certain countries, like certain individuals, have the power of winning our affections. Thus it is with the beautiful Emerald Isle, the buffer state of Europe lying west of England looking half-lovingly, half-sadly over the waste of waters toward the distant continent, America, where so many of her children have gone for refuge, having long held her face averted from that nearer land, England."

Whew! It took me a long time to reach a period at the end of that sentence, didn't it? My grandfather, whose given name was Riley, possessed the gift of gab—so maybe I came by it naturally.

The first Irish-Americans were admirable people. No menial task was beneath them. They built the western civilization and conquered New York by their very grit and determination. Today most of their descendants are Georges in the NAD.

Instead of extolling their virtues myself, let me introduce the lot of them to you by poetry that came straight out of Ireland:

## O! THE SOUND OF THE KERRY DANCING

The light hearted daughters of Erin,  
Like the wild, mountain deer they  
can bound,

Their feet never touch the green  
island,  
But music is struck from the  
ground.

And oft' in the glens and green meadows,  
The ould jig they dance with such  
grace,

That even the daisies they tread on  
Look up with delight in their face.  
—James M'Kowen

(Their descendants still dance at  
NAD gatherings.)

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## IRELAND

Sure, a terrible time I was out o'  
the way,  
Over the sea, over the sea.

'Till I came to Ireland one sunny  
day,  
Better for me, better for me;

The first time me foot got the feel  
o' the ground

I was strolling along in an Irish  
city  
That hasn't its aquil the world  
around,  
For the air that is sweet an' the  
girls that are pretty.

—Moirra O'Neill

(You'll find the same breed in the  
NAD.)

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## IRISH COLLENS

Light on their feet now they passed  
me and sped,  
Give you me word, give you me  
word,

Every girl wid a turn o' the head,  
Just like a bird, just like a bird,  
And the lashes so thick round their  
beautiful eyes—

Shinin' to tell you it's fair time o'  
day wid them.

Back in me heart with a kind of  
surprise,  
I think how the Irish girls has the  
way wid them.

(They can relax and be happy be-  
cause they support the NAD.)

## KERRYMEN

I'll back one man from Corkshire  
To bate ten more from Yorkshire;  
Kerrymen

Agin Derrymen  
And Munster again creation.

Werrastrut! 'Tis a pity,  
We aren't a nation.

(I'd back one NAD member ag'in  
all peddlers.)

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## KITTY

As beautiful Kitty one morning was  
tripping,

With a pitcher of milk from the fair  
of Coleraine,

When she saw me she stumbled  
The pitcher it tumbled,

And all the sweet buttermilk watered  
the plain.

(Could she have been behind with  
her NAD dues?)

\* \* \*

## FATHER O'FLYNN

Here's a health to you

Father O'Flynn!  
Slainte, and Slainte, and Slainte  
agin;

Pow'rfullest preacher and tenderest  
teacher,

And kindest creature in ould  
Donegal.

—Author not mentioned

(He just gave me a \$25 donation to  
the NAD and his real name is Robert  
C. Fletcher.)

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## WIDOW MACHREE

Why the shovel and tongs

To each other belongs,

And the kettle sings songs

Full of family glee  
While alone with your cup,  
Like a hermit you sup,  
Och hone, Widow Machree.

—Samuel Lover

(She should join the NAD.)

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## IRISH FRIENDLINESS

Soon as ye lift the latch, little ones are  
meeting you,

Soon as you're 'neath the thatch,  
kindly looks are greeting you;

Scarcely have ye time to be holdin' out  
the hand to them—

Down by the fireside you're sitting  
in the midst of them.

—By Francis Fahy

(They're carefree members of the  
NAD.)

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## THE FIGHTING RACE

"Oh, the fighting races don't die out,  
And they seldom die in bed,  
For love is first in their hearts,  
no doubt."

Said Burke; then Kelly said:  
"When Michael, the Irish Archangel  
stands,

The angel with the sword,  
And the battle-dead from a hundred  
lands

Are ranged in one big horde,  
Our line, that for Gabriel's trumpet  
waits

Will stretch three deep that day,  
From Jehoshaphat to the Golden  
Gates—

Kelly and Burke and Shea."

"Well, here's thunk God for the race  
and the sod!"

—Joseph I. C. Clark

(Kelly and Burke and Shea are fight-  
ers in the NAD.)

The Irish, as we all know, are noted  
for their sense of humor. Take for  
instance this joke sent me by my Irish  
friend in Lewiston, Idaho:

A news item came out about how  
the Germans had scoured the Polish  
countyside for cows to be milked at  
the front. The reporter who wrote the  
story quipped, "I've never before heard  
of cows being milked at the front. I  
only know the udder way."

Cusla ma Chree, (Irish for "darling  
of my heart.") I am mindful that;  
To those who talk and talk and talk,  
This proverb should appeal:  
The steam that blows the whistle  
Will never turn the wheel.

Yours, a-wearin' o' the green  
And a-supportin' the NAD,  
Edna H. Baynes

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# The Deaf Of Alabama



## News from the Alabama Association of the Deaf

The Executive Committee of the Alabama Association of the Deaf, consisting of President S. B. Rittenberg, Vice-President Charles Thorn, Secretary Cinderella York, Treasurer Charles Chappell, and Parliamentarian Harry Baynes, held a called meeting at the home of Secretary Chappell on December 4, 1960.

The purpose of this meeting was to find ways and means for increasing the membership and interest of the Alabama deaf prior to the fiftieth anniversary of the association.

The committee chose chairmen in different localities to start chapters.

Descriptive literature was mailed out to the chairmen.

The first chapter was organized in Montgomery, Alabama, with Mr. Floyd Little elected president; Mrs. Dewey Brown is the vice president; and Mr. Kenneth Holland is the secretary-treasurer.

The deaf of Mobile are now in the process of organizing.

A chapter was organized in Talladega on February 4. Officers of this chapter are: president, Mr. Olen Tate; vice president, Miss Cinderella York; secretary, Miss Blanche Bolton; and treasurer, Mrs. Charles Chappell.

The various chapters are affiliated with the AAD, which in turn is affiliated with the NAD.

A variety program will be given by the Talladega club members and AAD members on April 15, 1961, in Talladega to raise funds to meet the state quota since the AAD had met in convention prior to the NAD Convention in Dallas.

The Alabama deaf show a fine spirit of co-operation. Due to the large number joining the New NAD it is impossible to list them all, but to each member, new and old, we wish to express our pride and appreciation.

## Talladega Sons Start Out On Road Of Athletic Prowess That Their Dads Traveled

"Like father, like son," is an old adage that has come true in many instances.

Such is the case with Ronnie Baynes and Don Arnold, star athletes at Talladega High School.

Ronnie's father, Harry L. Baynes, has been active in sports for over 40 years, 36 as a coach and athletic director at Alabama School for the Deaf.

Mr. Baynes has seen his son attain such honors as all-county basketball player for three years, two years most valuable player in the tournament, and all-district in 1960.

Ronnie's talents aren't limited to basketball as he was an outstanding end on Talladega's last two football teams.

He recently signed a football scholarship with Auburn but also plans to



**PROUD FATHERS WITH THEIR ILLUSTRIOUS SONS**—Left to right: Harry L. Baynes, Ronnie Baynes, Don Arnold, and Buel Arnold. It also happens that Mr. Baynes coached Mr. Arnold at the Alabama School.

play basketball and baseball. He has starred on the Talladega baseball team for four years.

Mr. Baynes attended Maryland School for the Deaf and later attended Gallaudet College for the deaf in Washington, D. C.

While in college, Mr. Baynes lettered four years in basketball and football. He was captain of the basketball team two years and the football team one year. He made several all-star teams in both sports.

Mr. Baynes played center on the basketball team and was a tackle in football.

Don Arnold, recently named the most valuable player in the "B" team county basketball tournament, is only a freshman at Talladega.

He was most valuable in tournaments played in his junior high and ninth grade years.

Although unable to participate in football last year, Don is a top candidate for the starting quarterback position on the high school team.

Coach Norman Mosely rates him highly and says he lacks only experience to become a good football player.

Don is also an outstanding baseball player, in which he catches.

Buel Arnold, Don's father and an employee of The Talladega Daily Home, was an outstanding athlete at Alabama School for the Deaf from 1936 to 1940.

He was a starter for four years in both basketball and football.

He was quarterback on the 1938 team, which posted a 9-1 record. Mr. Baynes was his assistant football coach that year.

Mr. Baynes coached Mr. Arnold for four years in basketball.—*The Talladega Daily Home.*

## Little Known Facts About Alabama

Alabama ranks 27th in size among the states, 17th in population, was 22nd to join the Union.

Hernando de Soto and his mighty Spanish legion discovered Alabama while searching for gold in 1960.

Alabama has been under seven flags, namely: Spain, France, Great Britain, the United States, and the Confederacy.

The Alabama territory was organized March 1, 1817, with William W. Bibb as territorial governor.

One hundred years ago Jefferson Davis was inaugurated president of the Confederate States of America on the portico of the present Alabama capitol building, and the Confederate flag flew over the capitol for four years.

The name, Alabama, is derived from that of a noted Southern Indian tribe who were a subdivision of the Chickasaws. The territory was in fact named for the major river which ran through the land—the Alabama River—which was named for the Indian tribe.

The state motto is: We dare defend our rights.

The first flag of Alabama was made by Minnie Lee Smeet in 1895 in Mobile. It was made "of white long cloth and red oil-boiled calico." The flag was designed to preserve some of the distinctive features of the Confederate battle flag—particularly the St. Andrew's Cross.

An act was passed which requires that teachers in Alabama shall show on their reports that the Alabama flag is on display and shall not be allowed to draw public funds unless the provisions of this act have been complied with.

# 'It's What A Person Has Left That Counts, Not What He's Lost,' Says State Agent

Taken from the Montgomery (Alabama) Journal



Mrs. Jimmy Garrett is shown at work as a keypunch operator in the unemployment compensation division of the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations in Montgomery. She has been highly praised by her superiors.

"It's what a person has left that counts—not what he has lost" . . . And the Alabama Department of Industrial Relations not only preaches this policy, but practices it as well, as shown by Mrs. Flora Garrett, a deaf lady who is a keypunch operator in the unemployment compensation division of the department.

Noted for her perseverance, Mrs. Garrett is described by her immediate supervisor, Miss Addie Townsend, as being "very efficient, cooperative, about average, and well-rounded. She always fits in and only has to be shown one time how to do a job."

The Department of Industrial Relations has a division of the employment service known as Special Services that is concerned with the placement of the handicapped. Under the supervision of John B. Bethea, Jr., this division assists the handicapped in being placed where they are qualified—not on a sympathy basis—but on a basis of receiving no penalty for being handicapped.

Mrs. Garrett, who has a beautiful script, sums up her past in this way:

"I entered the Alabama School for the Deaf in 1928. Homesickness kept me out four years. Completed in '39. Attended Riley's Business School (Dathan) where I learned most of the things pertaining to office work, like bookkeeping, office machines, etc. The second time I entered Massey-Draughon was to get the rust out of me if that was at all possible.

"I had to learn to type faster to get IBM training. As soon as I could do 40 words per minute, which took me some four or five months. Mr. John Prim (IBM manager in Montgomery) instructed me for two weeks, but I just did get a few things there. What I know was actually picked up here by actual work.

"The trouble with one with a handicap like mine is being so self-conscious that sometimes we feel defeated in our efforts. Miss Townsend seemed to notice this, and would, I reckon, pretend not to notice me and would encourage me. When I saw no one would watch, I could do my work better.

"After one like myself has been with someone for quite a while, it is not hard at all to make a person with normal hearing understand me. That person has to learn a lot more than I do; the strange way I talk, which I myself can't even hear spoken.

"The only way I can know if I talk too loudly is for the person to tell me so. I have gotten most of the girls in our department to understand me, and I can read their lips pretty well."

Mrs. Garrett, who lives at 20 Marshall Street, Montgomery, is a Methodist, but attends First Baptist Church and St. John's Episcopal Church because they have ministers for the deaf.

Regarding her family status, Mrs. Garrett continues, "I have been married twice. My first husband, deaf like myself and a product of Louisiana

School for the Deaf, and I had two children. He had approximately 37 years of service with the Ford Motor Co., River Rouge Plant. He died of a heart attack in 1954. I am presently married to Jimmy Garrett (new bride of four years) who attended Alabama School for the Deaf, Talladega, with me. Jim is now working in the Highway Department Print Shop."

## ALABAMA

Alabama, Alabama,  
We will aye be true to thee,  
From the Southern shore where  
groweth

By the sea, thine orange tree,  
To the Northern vale where floweth,  
Deep and Blue, thy Tennessee.  
Alabama, Alabama!  
We will aye be true to thee!

From thy prairies, broad and fertile,  
Where thy snow-white cotton shines,  
To the hills where coal and iron  
Hide in thy exhaustless mine,  
Honest farmers, strong-armed work-  
men,

Merchants, or whate'er we be,  
Alabama, Alabama!  
We will aye be true to thee!

Where the perfumed south wind  
whispers,

The magnolia groves among,  
Softer than a mother's kisses,  
Sweeter than a mother's song,  
Where the golden jessamine trailing  
Woos the treasure-laden bee;  
Alabama, Alabama!

We will aye be true to thee!

Brave thy men and true thy women.  
Better this than corn and wine;  
Keep us worthy, God in Heaven,  
Of this goodly land of Thine.  
Hearts as open as our doorways,  
Liberal hand and spirits free;  
Alabama, Alabama!

We will aye be true to thee!

Little, little can I give Thee,  
Alabama, mother mine!  
But that little—heart, brain, spirit—  
All I have and am art thine.  
Take, oh, take the gift and giver  
Take and serve thyself with me;  
Alabama, Alabama!

We will aye be true to thee!

—JULIA S. TUTWILER

Alabama State flower: Magnolia  
Alabama State bird: Yellowhammer

## The Talladega Club of the Deaf

The Talladega Club of the Deaf spontaneously came into being on October 3, 1952, after a surprise party was held in the apartment of Mr. and Mrs. Olen Tate. The occasion was to present a gift to Mr. and Mrs. Buel Arnold, who had just purchased a new home. The size of the crowd attending led Mr. Baynes to suggest that a club be organized.

The idea took hold, and so the Talladega Club came into being with Mr. William F. Grace at the helm.

The object of the club was and is to promote mutual and social interests of the members.

In September, 1953, the club spon-





**MEMBERS OF THE TALLADEGA CLUB OF THE DEAF**—Standing, left to right: Thomas Gulsby, Charles Chappell, Moran Colburn, Buel Arnold, Katherine Gilchrist, Blanche Bolton, Agnes Tate, Harry Baynes, Naomi Clark, Gloria Chappell, Gladys Horn, Burnell Dukes, Billy Stines, Matt Horn, and Clarence Clark. Sitting: Wright Gilchrist, Connie Barnes (honorary member), Evelyn Colburn, Vernie Arnold, Olen Tate, Alvin Mayes, Snow Grace, Edna Baynes, Catherine Riser (honorary member), and William F. Grace.

sored a basketball club of members and some overage pupils. A team has been sponsored each year since then.

Also in 1953, a scholarship fund was started in honor of a beloved friend and teacher, Miss Mary Florence Skehan, to help worthy students who wished to go to college.

In 1954, the club presented a beautiful gold watch to Mr. Makhdum who came from Pakistan and remained for four months to study methods of teaching the deaf.

Among the many assists by the club are: New uniforms for the club team; \$25 to buy handbooks for the school Scouts, various games for the boys' living room on several occasions; con-

tributing to the International Games for the Deaf; advertisements in program books of several club tournaments, contributions to back an amendment to secure funds for the Alabama School for the Deaf; purchased ten copies of *The Life of Gallaudet* and distributed them in college libraries over the state; purchased baseball uniforms for a Talladega Babe Ruth team; gave and still gives cash awards for reading in the Alabama School; helped a young speech-defective student with his high school books; donated trophies for various sporting events; contributed toward an electric scoreboard for the new gymnasium; bought a copy of *Anthology of Prose and Poetry* by the

Deaf for the school library; and made innumerable gifts to fellow members on different occasions.

The club hosted the 14th SEEAD tournament in 1960 in which eight teams participated.

The members are a congenial group. Much activity and interest is shown. Almost all are members of the NAD, with which the club is affiliated.

### Talladega Club of the Deaf Enjoys Annual Banquet

The eighth annual banquet of the Talladega Club of the Deaf was held Thursday evening at the Talladega Country Club.

The tables were beautifully decorated with colorful fall flowers.

Features of the program were talks on the National Association of the Deaf by Mrs. Edna Baynes and club highlights by Harry L. Baynes.

W. F. Grace gave the invocation and Miss Blanche Bolton gave the song "America the Beautiful." Olen Tate, club president, presided.

A delicious buffet supper was enjoyed.

The banquet committee was composed of Charlie A. Chappell, chairman; Mrs. Gloria Chappell, Mrs. Vernie Arnold, and Buel Arnold.

Officers of the club, besides Mr. Tate, are Wright Gilchrist, vice president; Miss Cinderella York, secretary; Alvin Mayes, treasurer; Mr. Baynes, parliamentarian; Mr. Arnold, corresponding secretary, and Mrs. Arnold, sergeant-at-arms.

### Robert C. Fletcher—A Tribute By Edna H. Baynes

An attractive booklet written by Mrs. Charles P. Jackson, of Birmingham, entitled "A Voice in the Wilderness," is a historical sketch of the work done by the Episcopal Church to bring the gospel to the deaf people of Alabama.

The author states that she did not realize that it would turn out to be almost entirely the life story of one man—Robert C. Fletcher.

Rev. Fletcher was born at Arab, Alabama, in 1900. At the age of four, a bolt of lightning struck him, taking his hearing and almost costing him his life. Later, at the age of twelve, an accident with the sharp end of a pair of scissors took the sight of one eye.

In June, 1929, he was ordained a deacon by Bishop McDowell in Epiphany Church, Guntersville, Alabama. He immediately set to work as missionary to the deaf in the Province of Seawane with headquarters at St. Mary's Church in Birmingham. He continued his work in the Province for 22 years. He advanced to the priesthood in July, 1931.

In July, 1930, Rev. Robert was married to Estelle Caldwell of Bryan, Texas, and they subsequently reared a fine family of four outstanding children.

Among the numerous honors received by Rev. Fletcher was the opening of the March 26, 1952, session of the U. S. Senate with a prayer in the sign language, by special request. In June of

**TALLADEGA CLUB BANQUET**—Standing in background: Wright Gilchrist, Katherine Gilchrist, Harry Baynes, Edna Baynes, Charles Chappell, Olen Tate, Agnes Tate, Mrs. Connie Barnes (daughter of the Bayneses), and Miss Blanche Bolton. Seated at first table: Mrs. Gloria Chappell, Mrs. Louise Hammett, Walter Sinclair, Miss Cinderella York, Mrs. Evelyn Colburn (face hidden), Moran Colburn, and Mrs. Ruth Isaacson. At center table: Mrs. Gladys Horn, Matt Horn, Clayton Ramey, Mrs. John Charey, Alvin Mayes, Mrs. Naomi Clark, Clarence Clark, Mrs. Vernie Arnold, and Buel Arnold. Table to right: Mrs. Mary Kemp, Willie Kemp, Miss Annie Shaw, William F. Grace, Mrs. Snow Grace, and Miss Martha Davis.





**Dr. Robert C. Fletcher, a native Alabaman, is an Episcopal missionary to the deaf and pastor of St. John's Church, the Episcopal church of the deaf in Birmingham. He serves other cities and communities of Alabama on a scheduled basis.**

the same year, he was given an honorary doctor's degree by Gallaudet College in Washington, D. C. In 1954, he was elected president of the Conference of Church Workers Among the Deaf in America.

Rev. Bob is a much loved person in Alabama. Space does not permit a full account of the immense scale of his work in Alabama, his kindly aid to the sick, to those out of work, or in any kind of trouble. The deaf all over the state depend on him for help, comfort, and the good news about Jesus Christ. The voice of one crying in the wilderness was indeed answered by Rev. Fletcher who tried always to prepare the way of the Lord and make his paths straight.

#### **Stuyvesant Issues Standard Policy to Deaf Drivers**

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for your car) cannot be obtained.

Under normal conditions, auto insurance rates are usually the same. This is true if any company giving a price for the insurance has the same information about (a) the use of the car, (b) the drivers of the car, (c) the car itself and is giving the same insurance protection and amounts.

The only exception to this would be if a company was giving discounts or charged according to the driving experience. Good experience (no accidents or tickets) gets a discount, bad experience (accidents and/or tickets) is charged extra. One other reason for charging more is if the company would charge extra.

While the Stuyvesant plan does not discount, we do not charge extra either. Every member of the group gets the same charge and can buy full coverage in higher amounts. These are things which have never been made available to most deaf drivers before.

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#### **Letter to the Editor**

Dear Editor:

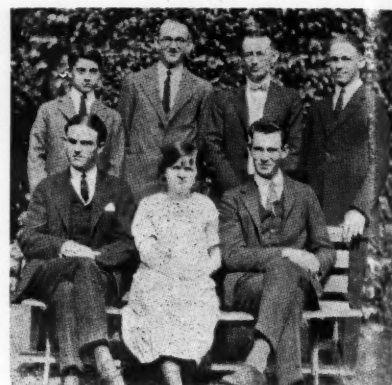
Troy Hill's mistaken assertion in the February **SILENT WORKER** that the new NAD takes away the right of all Life Members to "join in the proceedings and the right to vote" impels me to challenge that statement.

I was chairman of the Reorganization Committee, and it puzzles me how anyone who knows the score can make that claim. The complete set of new laws was published at least twice in **THE SILENT WORKER** prior to ratification by the state associations. They were also thoroughly discussed under a "Committee of the Whole" at the St. Louis convention. Mr. Hill never once to my knowledge voiced any dissent until he discovered that even a Texan, and a VIP, is not privileged to disrupt the meetings of the Council of Representatives.

Here is a pertinent part of the law applying to the case: Article VI, Section 6, paragraph b: "Any registered member may attend the meetings of the Council of Representatives, but separate seating arrangements shall be provided for the Representatives, and **only members of the Council may participate in the deliberations.**"

In view of the foregoing, how could any one not a Representative expect to take the floor at such a meeting? And what else could the president do but deny him the floor?

Paragraph d states: "In sessions of the General Assembly (sessions five



**LEADERS OF TODAY—from the Classes of 1921 and 1924 at the Alabama School for the Deaf. Standing, left to right: Howard Hofsteater, Benagh Warren, Barney Golden, Finis Reneau. Sitting: Dr. Robert C. Fletcher, Mrs. Freeman Davis (nee Sarah Jordan), and Dr. Byron B. Burnes.**

and six) new business, as well as reports from the Council of Representatives **shall be proposed, discussed, and put to a vote.**

That disposes of any claim that Life Members have no vote in the new NAD. They have the same rights to participate in discussions and to vote as all other members—in the proper place: the General Assembly. Life Members had no special discussion or voting privileges in the old NAD setup. None has been added or taken away in the New NAD.

What has been added in the New NAD is the Council of Representatives, a standard American form of representative government which permits the **majority of all the members everywhere to cast the decisive vote.**

Troy Hill's name was and still is an honored one in Texas, and in deafdom. I am sure that his friends and admirers hope he will add lustre to his name by forgetting his prolonged and groundless pique, and by joining all good deaf Americans in **building up** the first American federation of the deaf.

G. Dewey Coats

Fulton, Missouri  
March 14, 1961

#### **Utah NFSD Divisions To Stage Rally for NAD**

The Ogden and Salt Lake City Divisions of the National Fraternal Society of the Deaf will sponsor a rally for the National Association of the Deaf on Saturday, March 25, at Carpenter's Union Hall, 120 West 13th, South, Salt Lake City, Utah. Starting time is 7:30 p. m.

Theme of the entertainment is "Who is the Mystery Man?" He will be sitting on the stage ready to answer questions from the audience, and a cash award will go to the person guessing his identity. Food will be available buffet style.



# SPORTING AROUND

With Art Kruger

A deaf sprinter zips off the blocks when he sees the puff of smoke from the starter's gun. And if he also sees \$1350, he'll dash all the way to Helsinki for the Ninth International Games for the Deaf, August 6-10.

That's the round-trip cost for one person. They must pay their own way, as there is no fund like the one that supports the hearing Olympics.

(Checks, which will be graciously accepted, should be made out to the UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL GAMES FOR THE DEAF FUND, and mailed to Art Kruger, team director, at 24001 Archwood Street, Canoga Park, California.

We hope to have 100 deaf athletes from this country at Helsinki, which will be 60 more than the U. S. squad for the 1957 games at Milan, Italy.

With only 40 athletes at Milan, the U. S. did all right for itself, walking off with 17 Gold, 9 Silver and 11 Bronze Medals. The U. S. participated in four events, placing first in men's track and field, first in basketball, third in tennis mixed doubles, and fifth in swimming.

Members of the United States team will assemble in Washington, D. C., three weeks prior to the Games to acquaint team members and for conditioning purposes. On July 24, they will leave by jet plane for Dusseldorf, Germany. From there they will journey to Duisburg for a final conditioning program and finally arrive in Helsinki on August 1.

It seems as if our planning and coordination of the \$1350 individual fund-raising campaigns is a success as our drives to send 100 participants to Helsinki grow by leaps and bounds. Don't underestimate Art Kruger when he says something can be done—so the drive for the United States International Games for the Deaf will certainly go over the top.

## Regina Tyl Fund Far Beyond Goal

"Hold your fire!"

"No money is needed for the Regina Tyl Fund."

That's what the Knoxville *News-Sentinel* said. Its goal to raise \$1350 to send the former Tennessee School for the Deaf athlete to Helsinki, Finland, for the 1961 Games has been surpassed by over \$300.00.

Despite the end of the campaign, contributions continue to trickle in. Most of the money came in big gifts from individuals and business firms.

The drive started on February 12 and by February 27, \$1634.51 had been

raised. This was possible because Tom Siler, the sports editor, did a wonderful job of publicizing this drive during those days.

Thus the Knoxville *News-Sentinel* again provided an outstanding example of a community responding to a request for funds for an individual athlete. This paper initiated a similar campaign four years ago on behalf of Lavoy Killian, a sprinter, for the Games in Milan, Italy. *News-Sentinel* readers quickly raised the money that enabled Killian to compete in Milan.

People in Tennessee surely are warm-hearted!

## Navy Sets Goal of \$2700 for Crew Project

Officers and men of the Navy destroyer USS Prichett, have established a \$2700 goal in raising funds to send two sons of a crew member to the IX International Games for the Deaf in Helsinki, Finland, this August.

The two sons—Bill, 18, and Dick, 17—of Chief Machinist Mate William Ramborger have been deaf since birth. They are javelin throwers now attending the California School for the Deaf at Riverside.

"The men aboard the Prichett have decided to sponsor the two Ramborger boys at this year's 'Deaf Olympics,'" revealed the ship's commanding officer, Commander W. S. Mills III.

Bill and Dick were guests on the ship on February 6. They met the officers and crew, enjoyed dinner on board, and posed for many publicity pictures.

This ship was docked at Long Beach that time and left for overseas on February 27 and reached Pearl Harbor on March 6 and then proceeded to Guam. As a reward from the Navy for this kind gesture, the USS Prichett may sail to Helsinki in July to represent the U. S. Navy at the World Games for the Deaf.

Mr. Ramborger had completed 20 years of service in the Navy in 1957 and retired, but in October of 1960 he was recalled to active duty for 24 months.

The Ramborger family live in Redland, California. Dick and Bill are very fortunate to have Chuck Wilkinson, a senior and crack javelin thrower at the University of Redlands, coaching them.

Wilkinson's best throw this year was 243 ft. 9 inches. He was twelfth in the Olympic tryouts last year. He's 23 years old and has spent two years in the Army. He's a P. E. major, so his one and only ambition is to be a coach. He said Bill and Dick have been making good progress in the javelin. Bill has hit 170 feet and Dick, 175 feet.

## Parents of Deaf Participants Help a Lot, Too!

One day our eyeballs wobbled when we got several checks totaling \$1092

from Martin Hersh, of Los Angeles, an attorney and counsellor at law, and father of Muriel Hersh, a swimming participant from Gallaudet College.

In line with his promise to "talk up" the requirements of the Committee he contacted several people and got them interested and became familiar with the fact that the International Games for the Deaf will take place at Helsinki, Finland, this August, and their advising others of this event. Mr. Hersh said he will continue his endeavors in obtaining additional contributions and will forward same to me from time to time.

Ron Wood's father has been on a one-man campaign, and to date over \$1000 has been raised. His pop is a police officer at the University of California Radiation Lab in Livermore. Ron is the No. 1 sprinter in the country.

Kevin Kelley's dad, too, has been on a one-man drive, and at present over \$800 has been collected. His father is a traveling salesman. Kevin, by the way, may be the best deaf distance runner in the nation.

## Hearing Athletic Groups Help, Too

The Spokane Athletic Round Table's offer to supply one-third of the \$4050 needed to send three Washington School for the Deaf athletes to the 1961 Games has spurred progress. Walt Sumoski, a sprinter, and one of three beneficiaries of the ART's offer, is from Spokane. The fund goal for those three boys now has been lowered to \$1900 by the Round Table's generosity, of which approximately \$1000 has been raised. This seems like a challenge to the city of Seattle from which Washington's No. 1 boy, Gary Hendrix, a hurdler, hails. Ralph Fisher, sports editor of the Vancouver *Columbian*, wrote: "We feel that Seattle will come through for Hendrix, which leaves it up to Vancouver to produce \$1350 for Alaska's athlete, Dick Itta, a sprinter, of Point Barrow." Royal Brougham, sports editor of the Seattle *Post-Intelligencer*, sponsored a benefit basketball game for the fund on March 4 between the Oregon and Washington Schools for the Deaf. And now the Governor of Alaska is very much interested in this drive and asked for information on it. P. S.: Recently we got a \$10.00 contribution from Fairbanks, Alaska.

Ken Lane, a teacher at the Washington School for the Deaf, is chairman of the statewide drive, and what a superb job he has been doing! He has been cooperating with us splendidly.

The Devils Lake Quarterback Club cooperating with the local newspaper is leading a money-raising drive for John Nesvig, 6-2, 185-pound state Class B high school hurdles champion from the North Dakota School for the Deaf. To date half of the \$1350 has been raised.

We would write on and on about the successes of the other \$1350 individual fund-raising drives, but we guess these are enough for the present.

We're really a very busy man these days as letters are piling up on our desk every day, an average of six letters a day.



Right now we're in capital letters—**OPTIMISTIC**—about the whole thing, and we're confident that approximately 100 participants selected will make the Finland trip, and that all of them will reflect credit to the United States athletically, morally, and socially.

#### Fourth Tennis Player Named

At last we have found another tennis player to complete the USA tennis team competing in the forthcoming Games.

He's Sam Parker, who was a varsity man at the Rochester Institute of Technology for four years and comes from a family of tennis greats. He's teaching woodworking at the Maryland School for the Deaf.

And we have a feeling that with such tennis players as Sam Parker, Larry Brick of Long Island, New York, Mary Ann Silagi of Milwaukee, and Bobbi Hutcheson of Anaheim, California, we'll cop first place in team tennis at the Helsinki Games.

According to the latest ranking of the Wisconsin Tennis Association, Mary Ann Silagi, now 19, is the third best woman tennis player in the state. By mid-August she'll be the best **DEAF** woman tennis player in the world. No doubt about this. She has performed even better in doubles as she and Marge Collopy, a hearie, rank as the top women's doubles duo in the state.

#### Answers to True or False

(See page 12)

1. False. In this case, they may be amended only at a **regular**, never at a special meeting. But a regular meeting may be adjourned to another day (adjourned meeting) for the purpose of acting on the amendments.

2. False.

3. False. The Chair must stick to his **neutral standing** and merely state the question, putting it before the assembly.

4. False.

5. False. Both the affirmative and negative arguments must first be heard, unless a member quickly rises and presents a motion to call for the previous question to suppress debate and bring the assembly to a vote). This motion requires a two-thirds vote for its adoption.

6. False. It may be taken from the table only by a majority vote after the reading of the minutes, after the reports of officers, after the reports of committees, or at any time before the meeting adjourns. If the matter had been **postponed** to the next regular meeting instead of being tabled, then it would become unfinished business, to be taken up automatically.

7. True. But in voluntary organizations, a motion to lay on the table with intention to suppress (kill) a matter is **not** recommendable. In other words, it is unparliamentary among deliberative assemblies such as clubs, societies, associations, lodges, churches, and the like.

8. True. It must be borne in mind that standing rules should contain only such rules as are subject to the will of the majority at any meeting. It may be expedient to change one or more at any time without delay giving previous notice. Standing rules are similar to "house rules." They are in force until rescinded or amended by a two-thirds vote without previous notice, or a majority vote with previous notice. Any of the standing rules may be suspended by a majority vote for that meeting only. Usually the Chair, who is well versed in parliamentary law, knows whether or not a standing rule in the bylaws may be entertained—suspended, amended, or rescinded.

9. True.

10. False. The sub-committee is simply to assist the **parent** committee and is subject to instructions by the same. Its reports should be presented to the parent committee, not to the assembly.

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# National Association of the Deaf

## Home Office Notes

By Dr. Byron B. Burnes

There comes a time of year when every business office becomes tied up with annual reports or tax reports or something or other. At these times the office accountants lock themselves in the office and labor far into the night in a welter of figures, cigar smoke, and cusswords. This is the time of year when the NAD office undergoes that harrowing experience. We have been working on the annual applications for personal property tax exemption which must be filed in both county and city tax offices where the Home Office operates. Each application comprises numerous pages on which the NAD must be dissected from top to bottom, displaying its history, its objectives, its financial transactions of the past year, etc., etc. Compared with this, the annual income tax reports we had to compile earlier in the year were very simple. When we have this job completed, if it is acceptable to the tax people, as it has been in previous years, it will mean a saving of some sixty dollars for the NAD.

Amid the confusion of figures and adding machine tape and ruled forms we have lost some of the notes on which to base these Home Office Notes. Each day as something comes along which should be reported in these Notes, we jot down a memo, and when time comes to write the Notes, we select our items from those memos, but some of the memos have disappeared. They may be on file in the Alameda County Tax Assessor's office, and, if so, let us hope they help get us the tax exemption.

One memo we recall was headed "quotas." The Michigan Association of the Deaf sent a check for \$723.00 on February 27, paying its quota in full. This represents one of the larger quotas among the state associations, and we hereby express the thanks of the NAD to the MAD and its members. On the same day, the Home Office received \$300.00 from Anthony Mowad to apply on the Louisiana quota of \$345.00. Also during the past month we received ten dollars from the Reverend Robert C. Fletcher as a contribution toward Alabama's quota. This would be a good time to review the quotas that have been received from the cooperating associations:

Alabama	\$ 10.00
Colorado	238.50
Florida	225.00
Idaho	10.00
Kentucky	262.00
Louisiana	300.00
Michigan	723.00
Minnesota	825.00
Montana	133.50

Oklahoma	264.00
Oregon	150.00
Tennessee	279.00
Utah	189.00
Total	\$ 3,608.50

Last month we wrote in this column that Fred Schreiber would represent the NAD at a workshop for audiologists at Gallaudet College in February. Fred has sent us a copy of the speech he delivered at the workshop, and we wish we could include it here. It was an excellent speech and undoubtedly gave the audiologists authentic and interesting information on the working of an organization some of them probably didn't even know existed. Our thanks to Fred Schreiber.

That isn't all about Fred Schreiber for this month. Chairman Robert Sanderson has appointed Fred a member of the NAD Ways and Means Committee, and his acceptance is appreciated. A leading light in the DC Club of the Deaf, Schreiber has ideas for a Greater NAD which this publication soon will present in some detail.

The first weekend in March brought the Northwest Athletic Association of the Deaf basketball tournament to Oakland and numerous visitors to our city.

Among the visitors at the Home Office were Don G. Pettingill, whom you will remember if you were at Dallas, and Jack Downey, vice president of the Idaho Association of the Deaf. Pettingill, originator of the "Half-Incher" ads in the SILENT WORKER, maintains the same enthusiasm for the NAD he displayed at Dallas, and when he wasn't busy rooting his Idaho team to second place in the tournament he was here with us talking NAD. Come again, Don.

Regular readers of THE SILENT WORKER probably will remember that mention has been made in this magazine and elsewhere of a study being conducted by Gallaudet College and the OVR to gather information of the adaptability of deaf workmen by means of picture identification tests. Dr. Harold Geist of the University of California is in charge of preparing the data, working in an office at the California School for the Deaf. Dr. Geist has a great list of deaf men engaged in a wide variety of occupations, but he has not been able to find many accountants, artists, sales workers (not peddlers), attorneys, or medical and dental technicians. In an effort to help with the study, we sent letters to the presidents of all our state associations asking for the names and addresses of deaf men (not women) engaged in these unusual occupations. The response has added some names to the

list, for which we thank the presidents, but still more are needed. If any reader can send the names and addresses of deaf men employed in the occupations named, the Home Office will appreciate receiving them.

For the first time to our knowledge a bill has been introduced in a state legislature requiring that a hearing test be given applicants for driver's licenses. Such legislation has been discussed and threatened on numerous occasions, but we believe this is the first time it has actually appeared in a bill. House Bill No. 85, recently introduced in the Illinois Assembly, calls for such a hearing test, and the Home Office has received numerous letters requesting information about the bill. President Warshawsky of the Illinois Association of the Deaf quickly marshalled forces to oppose the bill. He has had conferences with the legislators responsible and with other authorities, and he has taken other lines of action. The NAD has been writing letters and sending material on deaf drivers to Illinois officials, and the NFSD has taken similar action. As this is being written Warshawsky has another meeting scheduled with the sponsors of the bill, and there seems to be good reason to believe that the bill will be withdrawn or buried in a committee.

One of the widely published encyclopedias is preparing a new edition, and we have been asked to write the section on the deaf. This is an assignment usually given to experts on the deaf connected with organizations FOR the deaf rather than OF the deaf. The fact that the NAD has been asked is one of numerous recent indications that increasing recognition is being given to the opinions of the deaf, themselves. We have assured the encyclopedia that we will prepare the article requested. If all goes well, we will give the name of the encyclopedia when the revision is published.

In the January SILENT WORKER announcement was made that W. T. (Ted) Griffing would head the NAD committee to work with a committee representing the American Hearing Society in working out a plan of cooperation between the two organizations. The other members of the NAD committee have been appointed, and we believe you will consider it a highly capable committee. In addition to Griffing, the members of the committee are Thomas G. Fishler of California, Max Friedman of New York, Harvey Gremillion of Louisiana, Gerald Adler of Michigan, Leonard Warshawsky of Illinois, representing the NFSD, and Dr. William McClure, superintendent of the Indiana School for the Deaf.

Back to tax exemption papers!

### Convention Dates Wanted

Quite a few of the state associations will be holding conventions this summer, and following the custom of the past several years, this magazine will list the dates and locations. Such information should be sent to the Home Office of the NAD, which will compile the list for publication.

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